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# Plaskon Strike Ends With 11.6c Package

## All Night Talks Break Deadlock

The Plaskon strike eneded abruptly last week-end after company and union negotiators jammed through 47 hours of baragining out of a 72 hour period.

Most of the Plaskon committee members got only a of bargaining out of a 72 hour period.

paring for the second session lasting 18 hours, almost as soon as the first 29 hour stretch was concluded.

But out of this iron-man feat came a package which will average no less than 11.6 an hour, and may go somewhat higher, not counting seven classifications which were given increases on an inequity basis.

Basic to the settlement were an increase in rates, the establishment of company paid health and welfare and insurance, and company payment of some of the benefits employees had been supporting through pay deductions.

The last t was dotted and the last t crossed about 9 o'clock Sunday morning, about an hour before the 10 a.m. meeting of the unit to which the agreement was to be presented for decision.

When it was explained to them, they voted unanimous acceptance.

Negotiators for the company were headed by W. W. Knight Jr and Leland L. Lord; with Cyrus (Toots) Martin, international representative, assisting the Plaskon unit committeemen.

From time to time others were brought in for counsel, and several times during the talks both sides were certain the settlement had blown up in their faces.

The agreement reached was a monument to patience and fortitude. The strike held firm while the union bargained, and at no time did the committee worry about rank-and-file support.

That is probably why a strike with a first demand of a 10 cent settlement ended with better than 11.6 cents.

## STATEMENT

Richard Gosser, UAW-CIO Vice President; Charles Ballard, Region 2-B Director, and Howard Seren, Local 12 President, released a joint statement to the membership on the Plaskon strike, which follows:

**"We thank and congratulate everyone who helped make the Plaskon strike a success.**

**"We thank the fighting unit which stood by its guns and prevented a pattern gouging settlement.**

**"We thank the Local 12 membership, and all union-minded workers in Toledo who dug into their pockets to help keep this fighting unit going.**

**"We thank the stubborn, determined negotiating team which went through 47 hours of bargaining and at least ten more of conference in 72 hours' time to get a sound agreement.**

**"And we congratulate everyone within our jurisdiction who will benefit by this settlement on their good fortune. The strike proved once and for all that UAW does not bluff. It made it clear once more that no fire-sale agreements will be accepted. It kept our line strong and solid.**

**"We are proud to be connected with such a union."**

## LMC Wreckers Vs. LMC Record

In 1945 there were 420,000 man-days lost in Toledo by strikes, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

In 1946 the LMC had been in function a full year.

In 1949, after four years of LMC operations, there were 16,400 man-days lost through strikes.

**This is a 96 per cent improvement.**

The proof that the Labor-Management-Citizens Committee can be credited with this startling record is in the comparable figures for the nation as a whole.

In 1945, nationally, there were 38,000,000 lost mandays. In 1949 there were 50,000,000.

**While the United States was showing a 31 per cent increase, Toledo was recording a 96 per cent drop.**

The forces in Toledo which are attacking the LMC and trying to weaken it—and especially the Committee to Save Toledo's Payrolls—should rub their noses in these figures.

*Mather Spring Executive Committee* ↓

# Mather Unit Strikes As Company Stalls

It was a general round table discussion among these members of The Mather Spring Committee of Local 12, UAW-CIO. Left to right front row are George Haussman, George Baer, Clarence Tucker, chairman and Ray Cramer. Back row left to right are Everrett Stevens, Lewis Terrill, Dallas Foley, Jules Henry, Bob Middelton, Brian Hill and Jim Belding.

## Men Resent Delay Tactics

This time it's authorized and official.

The boil up at Mather Spring last week which resulted in a work stoppage of several hours has blossomed into a full fledged strike.

The vote was taken at a meeting of the unit membership held yesterday afternoon at headquarters of Local 12, and given UAW-CIO sanction after the details were explained.

The strike began last night.

Basically, the problem is a management which thinks it doesn't have to do business with the union.

A committeeman was fired when he stood pat on his contract and refused to accept transfer to another job. The transfer would have taken him off the time study responsibility to which he had been assigned.

Recently, after long and dreary grievance negotiations, the company agreed to return him to work, but without his lost pay. The union took the position that if he was discharged in violation of the contract, he was entitled to his back wages, and refused to let the union member absorb the cost of a company mistake.

While this frustrating management attitude has kept the grievance committee busy, the same thing has been going on over a new contrat.

Management has made bargaining at Mather Spring as nearly impossible as they could.

As a case in point, they refused to pay lost time to the negotiators, and then refused to meet after hours. This forced the committee to give up substantial chuks of their pay to sit around and quibble with management over the placing of commas.

The union has stated that it is willing to work around the clock, as it did at Plaskon, in order to get down to a genuine bargaining session.

The company and its spokesmen have merely gone through the motions.

With Plaskon cleaned up, the decks are clear for Mather.

The company can have a contract, and a clean-up of grievances if it wants them; but it will have to quit stalling and begin talking business, unit spokesmen declared.

The membership is in no mood for nonsense.

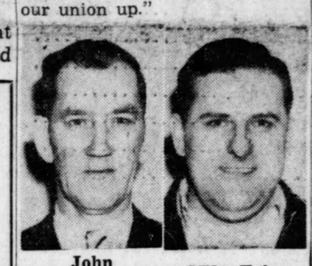
## *You Said It* To The Inquiring Reporter

In being informed that the members at the Mather Spring Unit of Local 12, UAW-CIO voted to go out on strike the Union Journal Inquiring Reporter interviewed a few of the workers to get their opinion.

They voted 90 per cent in favor to strike at a meeting held Thursday at Local 12 Hall, 425 Winthrop St.

Here are their comments:

John Stybaniewicz: "The nearly unanimous vote to strike proves that the workers want a real union in our shop. That is the answer to management who in my opinion are out to break our union up."



John Stybaniewicz — Mike Fejes

Meke Fejes: "I guess the Mather Company is now aware that we union members mean business not to let them disrupt the unity we had in our ranks. If they think they can break our union up they better start guessing again."

William Golaszewski: "It certainly was gratifying to know that we nearly voted 100 per cent to retain the gains we won since being organized in the union. The workers are not going to stand for the practice of trying to place us in the slavery ranks."

William Golaszewski — Bob Bailey

Bob Bailey: "That is the only course of action to follow when a company attempts to break our unity. The firing of a committeeman is something we will not stand for, recognizing the fact that he was doing a job for us workers."

Frank Berlincourt: "That is our answer to a company who do not believe in bargaining and ignoring our contract rights. If they think that we will not stick together take a look at that vote, which was by secret ballot too."

Frank Berlincourt — Joe Curtis

Joe Curtis: "The firing of a committeeman which is a direct violation of the contract, knowing that the committeeman was doing his job according to our contract, was the only recourse, and that was to strike to show the company that we are sticking together."

Joe Kosnek — Robert Dixon

Joe Kosnek: "Robert Dixon: "We took about enough of the company efforts to break our union up. Taking the action we did by voting to strike is the only answer to them that we are one group fighting for our rights as human beings."

Joe Chorzempa: "We were patient enough with the Mather company to have our grievances settled but by all indications it was proven that they are out to break the union up. If they do not have those intentions why the delay."

Joe Chrozempa — Milo Smith

Milo Smith: "When a company fires a committeeman who is doing his job as agreed on in a contract it's time the union members take action. That we did and to top it off they have refused to act on our grievances which have been accumulating for months."

## Martin Da Newsboy

**At one of the most discouraging points in Plaskon talks, Toots Martin hauled out a form and filled everything in but the name.**

**Then he pushed it at W. W. Knight, Jr., company general manager. It was a two year subscription to the Toledo Union Journal — for cash.**

**"Sign here," said Toots.**

**The Toledo Union Journal hopes (but does not guarantee) that Subscriber Knight will like every mention of his name or his company he sees in these pages for the next two years.**

*Plaskon's Ironmen*

Here is the negotiating committee that fought through 47 hours of bargaining with a determined Plaskon management, to emerge, dead on their feet, with an excellent settlement. In the picture (front left) is Congressman Tom Burke, in town for the primaries. Behind Tom is Cyrus (Toots) Martin, the international representative who led the committee. The shop committee is (front) Albert Yeager, chairman, B. Davis and R. Morse, and (above, left to right) V. Boulis, J. D. Smith, C. Rippke and C. (Pop) Jackson.

## Applications Available For Camp Periods

### Also For Jobs At Sand Lake

Applications for jobs at the Boys and Girls Local 12 Summer Camp are still being accepted, it was announced. Interviews are scheduled for the near future.

The application forms are available on the second floor at Local 12 Headquarters, 425 Winthrop St.

Also in the same office, applications can be obtained for camping periods. Boys periods will open on June 18 through July 29. Girl periods will begin on July 30 and up to September 2. The camping periods are for either one week or more and up to the entire six week term.

## Local 12 Meeting Moved To May 19

The regular monthly meeting of Local 12 UAW-CIO which is on the second Friday of each month has been moved back to May 19. The change was made to allow all union officials and members to attend the boxing show sponsored by the United Labor Committee.

The card, which will assure boxing fans a fine evening of bouts, will be held on May 12 in the Sports Arena. Tickets are available in all shops and in the ULC office at Local 12 Hall.

## Needed At Camp

Any members having books, games or costumes not in use will be appreciated by the boys and girls at the Local 12 Summer Camp at Sand Lake.

The donations of these articles can be dropped off in the ULC office on the second floor at Local 12 headquarters, 425 Winthrop St., or if phoning FAirfax 4371 it will be picked up.

—IN MARION—

## No Nickel, No Xmas No Return To Work

The strike of a small but determined group of workers at the Storm Windows of Aluminum company in Marion began its third month this week.

Tuesday, Charles H. Ballard, regional director, went to Marion to try to work out a settlement which would enable the employers to return to work.

A complete contract, such as it was, was reached except for two points. On these two points settlement bogged down.

They were:

1—Management refused to grant a nickel increase.

2—Management refused to make Christmas a paid holiday.

The refusal was in the form of a fantastic evasion—an evasion resembling something out of the dark ages of collective bargaining.

William Busa, secretary-treasurer of the company agreed that the entire union proposal was "right and reasonable and perfectly fair." But he couldn't "stick his neck out" to grant a nickel to settle the strike, and certainly wouldn't agree to establishing Christmas as a paid holiday without a vote of the Board of Directors of the Corporation.

Since one of the directors is allegedly in Arizona, it would be quite some time before the seven directors could sit down and solemnly determine whether or not a paid Christmas holiday was "in the best interests of the corporation."

The nickel, itself, was a measure of the distance the union traveled to bring about a return to work.

Wages at the plant average 85 cents an hour. This is a dime higher than the minimum permitted by law. The union offered to return to work for a 90 cent base rate, since bargaining for a new contract is not far off.

Management had offered a profit sharing program in lieu of a wage increase — a profit sharing program run by the boss with a committee looking helplessly on; into which 20 per cent of the profits would go, and out of which the executive officers would share with the employes on the basis of the individual earnings.

With management salaries skyrocketing, and employe earnings a short step from the legal minimum, this division of profits would be meager, if any were ever received.

But a factor which made this division of profits something less than exciting to the negotiating committee was Busa's insistence that the company was losing money, and the prospect was so uncertain that even a five cent wage increase was not to be thought of.

No one believes that the management is suffering any pain. Profits are presumably not only high, but downright fat. So are the salaries and bonuses presumably received by the favored few at the top—management itself and certain of its favored individuals.

The company, Busa said, could not pay time and one half for work over eight hours, but would "comply with the law" for work after 40 hours.

The strike, which began March 3, is still on.

## Strike Finance Committee Will Meet Every Tuesday

**There will be a meeting of the Finance Committee in charge of Mather Strike and Publicity Fund every Tuesday at 8 p.m. in the Local 12 Board Room, second floor.**

***Attend these meetings and report back to your own unit meetings on how the donations of yourself and your fellow workers is being used to a good advantage.***

## Buy Toledo

### Attention Mather Members

**A meeting of all Mather Unit members will be held Wednesday morning in Parlor A at Local 12.**

**The meeting will be held for the duration of the strike and progress on the negotiations will be explained to the workers.**

**Remember the meeting will begin at 10 a.m. every Wednesday until further notice.**

## Last Dig

One more collection for Plaskon, as of May 8, will be taken. It ought to be the best collection of all.

Every member of Local 12, UAW-CIO, gained when the Plaskon strikers held out and won an 11.6 cent package. A cheaper settlement would hurt every contract, cripple every negotiating committee in Toledo.

This last collection must be taken because the strikers do not get paid the day they return to work. They have to keep going another week.

Solidarity on the picket line won the strike. Solidarity in the whole membership backed up the strikers.

One more collection for Plaskon coming up.

Make this one BIG!

## Cook Wanted!

**A Cook wanted for the Local 12 Summer Camp. Applications are available in room 203 at Local 12, UAW-CIO 425 Winthrop St.**

**Applicants are assured of good wages, working conditions complete with room and board.**

## DeVilbiss, Too

By an overwhelming majority, the DeVilbiss Unit voted May 3 and 4 to authorize the executive committee to call a strike whenever it deems it expedient.

The move was planned to strengthen the hand not only of the contract negotiating committee, but the group trying to process grievances long unresolved.

Bob Adams, chairman of the unit, conducted the meetings.

## Attention Unit Officers

**Remember the meeting every Wednesday evening at Local 12, UAW-CIO Hall, 425 Winthrop St. The meeting is for all Unit officers, stewards and Local 12 officers and others who may be interested to learn on the progress of contract negotiations in the various shops. The meeting will begin at 8 p. m. in Parlor A at the Local.**

# Your Congressman Reports

Dear Constituent:

THE EDUCATION and Labor Committee this week is taking up legislation to relieve the impact of Federal installations (bases for the armed forces, ordnance depots, experimental projects, etc.) on the school facilities of the communities in or near which they are situated.

Tom Burke

Two forms of assistance (1) for operation and maintenance and (2) for construction are recommended by the subcommittees, one headed by Rep. Bailey (D.W.Va.) and the other by me, which investigated conditions in the schools.

The total appropriation for operation and maintenance would be about $20 million a year, which is not much more than is now being expanded. The difference is that our proposal would eliminate the present hit-or-miss methods of handling the problem and centralize the whole function in the Department of Education. As it is, some funds now come through the armed forces, some through the Bureau of Reclamation and some through the Bureau of Indian Affairs and other agencies. It all adds up to some $18-$19 million now being spent for operation and maintenance. We have not arrived at a figure for construction in these over burdened areas as yet, but estimates run about $135 million.

It is important to note that this money is not a direct grant-in-aid to the communities affected, but is the government's contribution as a non-tax paying occupant of property from which revenue otherwise could be collected.

The committee will not turn its attention to the Burke Bill, providing Federal funds for public school teachers' pay, until the aid to Federal-impact areas bill and a bill to provide educational assistance for the physically handicapped are out of the way. However, the teachers 'pay bill will be taken up before a general construction bill is considered.

The Administration is keeping an anxious eye on the Senate, hoping for early action on the Social Security Bill which the House passed last October. In a special message to Congress the President explained the urgency of this legislation. Under a new Federal law, State legislatures will have to enact or change present state laws in order to benefit, and most legislatures will meet in 1951.

Pointing out that nearly one-third of all wage earners are not covered by unemployment insurance, Mr. Truman made five recommendations. He urged that coverage be extended to an additional 6 million workers, including those in small businesses, Federal civilian employees, and industrial-agricultural workers.

He recommended that nation-wide minimum levels be established for amounts and duration of unemployment benefits; that adequate methods be provided to extend benefits to workers who move from one state to another; that laws concerning fraud and disqualification be improved and that improvements be made in the financing arrangements for unemployment insurance.

Toledo received a nice plug in the Newsletter of the Hon. W. R. Poage (D., Tex.) last week. In the absence of Congressman Poage the letter was written by Frank M. Fitzpatrick, Jr., Waco, Tex., who, besides assisting Mr. Poage, serves as a mail carrier in the Old House Office Building. Describing how the Congressional offices he visits reflects the districts their occupants serve, Mr. Fitzpatrick pointed out ". . . in the office of Congressman T. H. Burke, Ohio, one may find replica displays of those achievements that have made the city of Toledo famous, such a miniature Jeep, Owens-Illinois Glass products, automotive parts and accessories. to say nothing of volumes of vital labor and industrial statistics."

The President's veto of the Kerr Bill seems to have pigeon-holed the matter for this session of Congress. The House voted to send the bill back to the Intertate and Foreign Commerce Committee where Chairman Robert Crosser (D., O.) said it would be reconsidered with a view to the strengthening of government controls on the price of natural gas. Sen. Robert S. Kerr (D. Okla.), author of the bill, told the press he would not try to override the veto.

The General Appropriations Bill is under discussion this week in the House and promises to be with us for quite a while. This is the first time all Federal appropriations have been included in one, omnibus bill, so that debate is bound to be lengthy. The bill has nine chapters and each chapter is allotted two hours of general debate and is open for amendment under the 5-minute rule, so we expect to spend at least two days on each chapter. I don't look for much other legislative business for the next two weeks.

# 50 Labor Editors Meet To Study Press Role

CHAMPAIGN, Ill. (LPA)—Fifty AFL, CIO and independent labor editors gathered here April 28 and 29 for a conference on the readability of labor newspapers and how to improve it. Meeting was the fourth annual gathering sponsored by the University of Illinois' Institute of Labor and Industrial Relations, Division of Extension and Journalism School.

Featured speaker was Allan L. Swim, editor of the CIO News whose subject was "The Labor Press: Its Function in a Democratic Society." Swim told the editors that in country after country throughout the world the future depends on the labor movement and that the labor press has a vital role in labor's program.

First speaker to address the conference was Gordon Cole, editor of "The Machinist," who said that labor editors should consider themselves in the entertainment business until they obtain more readers. They should stress "puzzles, humor cartoons, 'cheese-cake' and other eyestoppers," Cole declared, and print a minimum of union and political news. He based his contention on the success of the big city tabloids.

In the principal address, Swim said, "more and more, the world-wide fight for democracy is being waged not by diplomats and government officials but by labor stiffs." In this connection, he cited the struggle for civil rights as one with which the labor editor should be constantly concerned.

During a recent trip to Europe, Swim recalled, the question he heard most frequently was: "How can you preach democracy to the world when you don't practice it yourself with your Negro citizens?" Accordingly, he said, it is clear that one of the primary functions of the labor press is to help stamp out prejudice.

Commenting on the alleged "extreme partiality" of the labor press, Swim pointed out that the CIO News acknowledges CIO ownership on its masthead and that publications of the US Chamber of Commerce are always identified. Nobody should be surprised when a CIO or Chamber of Commerce publication expresses the views of the present organization, he observed. "But what gets me is this," the CIO editor said. "Never have I seen on the masthead of any daily paper, 'published by the First National Bank' even though that paper may be owned by the First National Bank lock, stock and barrel."

Cole contended that union members read papers for amusement rather than for information. He said that the most important thing for labor editors to know is what to leave out. The Machinist editor stressed the importance of consumer news and recommended that editors use the "How To Buy" column by consumer expert Sidney Margolius for the Labor Press Association.

Other speakers included W. Ellison Chalmers, director of the Institute of Labor and Industrial Relations; Theodore Peterson, Jr., instructor in journalism, and Fredrick S. Siebert, director of the Journalism School, who advised "How To Avoid Libel." There were special work groups on features for women, welfare and pension plans, and the problem of explaining economics and labor laws in simple readable language.

# INSIDE AMERICA

(Written by the Staff of The CIO News)

MAY 25 will be a big day for nation's electrical workers — it's date set by NLRB for elections throughout General Electric's big industrial empire. CIO's International Union of Electrical, Radio & Machine Workers (IUE-CIO) predicts big victory over Communist-dominated UE, which was expelled from CIO last November.

Election will be conducted in over a dozen major cities throughout the nation.

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CIO victory over UE in Westinghouse was substantial —better than figures would suggest.

IUE-CIO won clear majority over UE by several thousand votes, won collective bargaining rights in most of Westinghouse's bigger plants.

Jim Carey, secretary-treasurer of CIO and head of IUE'S top committee, said election results show that "intelligent American workers . . . have realized the vital issues in this campaign.

"The vast majority of workers," he added, "have decided by secret ballot that they want the CIO and not a weak, Communist-controlled union such as the UE has come to be."

And Carey pledged that IUE-CIO will give "its every effort to win for the workers in the electrical industry all that has been denied to them by the UE's 10 years of rule-or-ruin policy."

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Chances look good for settlement of long dispute between CIO's lusty Communications Workers of America and big, rich Bell Telephone System.

President Joseph Beirne of CWA, shortly before April 26 strike deadline, said there'd be no need for walkout; and at same time, company seemed willing to get down to basic collective bargaining.

Company had been banking heavily on victory in ruling of New Jersey utilities arbitration board. Instead, that state board granted union a wage boost. After that, Bell seemed more ready to bargain.

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Phil Murray has thrown full weight of CIO behind President Truman's Reorganization Plan No. 12 — which would go fa rto clip wings of labor-baiting Robert N. Denham, general counsel of National Labor Relations Board.

Under Taft-Hartley, NLRB general counsel was given wide independent powers; in many situations can tell NLRB to go jump in lake.

Murray, in letters to Congressmen and Senators, says this situation has given Denham "unparalleled, unbridled administrative power . . . the General Counsel has used his vast arbitrary powers in a continuing crusade against unions ,and to make the Taft-Hartley Act even more oppressive than its literal provisions . . . The time has come to end this administrative monstrosity."

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Under federal reorganization procedures, Truman plan to make Denham a servant—rathe rthan master—of NLRB will take effect unless Congress vetoes plan within 60 days.

Big business groups, which have backed T-H to hilt, are scrounging opposition to plans. Ultra-conservative Committee for Constitutional Government, as example, has spent thousands of dollars for propaganda distributed to business men and lawyers. It's all designed to scare them into backing Denham and his vast powers.

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Sports lovers got a break when Illinois court cracked down—hard—on Un-American practices of American Bowling Congress. ABC pretty well run sand controls organized bowling; it also excludes Negroes and women from its big national tournaments.

Superior Court Judge John Sbarbaro ordered Bowling Congress to remove these biased provisions from its constitution at next convention or face loss of Illinois charter.

Similar actions are under consideration in other states.

Action against ABC grew out of petition filed by CIO's General Counsel Arthur Goldberg late in 1949. Goldberg charged that Bowling Congress' discrimination rules were contrary to laws and constitution of Illinois, under which it functions as chartered corporation.

Judge Sbarbaro seemed to agree. There's something "abhorfent" about ABC's bias, Judge commented.

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German visitors, brought to the U. S. by Uncle Sam to see how democracy works, must have some funny thoughts about Memphis, Tennessee.

Two German union officials on tour in this country, visited Boss Crump's home town as guests of United Steelworkers. Visitors wanted to see an American picket line in operation, were taken out to strike-bound American Snuff Company.

But they were barred from taking pictures of scabs being herded into company bus for transportation from plant. Police inspector, re-writing Bill of Rights on the spot, ruled that pictures couldn't be taken by Germans!

Steel union raised big protest—and Germans drew their own conclusions.

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Major legislative fight is coming up on rent control; present law expires June 30—and real estate lobby is hoping to kill it once and for all.

Mike Mann, CIO director in Chicago, told Senate committee that failure to extend important rent law will bring on wave of "havoc and fear."

CIO also proposes that local communities, which now have right to end rent controls, should also have power to restore controls as they see fit.

Union spokesmen agree with government officials that there'll be an "intolerable" jump in rents if controls go out in mid-summer. One real estate lobby spokesman recently admitted that rents would go up — perhaps as much as 50% in some cases. But, he tried to convince listeners, that wouldn't cause much hardship, since biggest rent jumps would be in cases of lowest families, which pay lower rents!

Governors of many states and mayors of most big cities are all agreed that rent controls must be preserved.

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HERE AND THERE: Maritime unions increasingly concerned about unemployment and by fact that American Merchant Marine is deteriorating below old depression levels. Hundreds of ships owned by U. S. interests are sailing under foreign flags, as sea-going sweatshops; they don't have to pay American wage standards ,that way . . . Senate probes show speculators here and in South America, have been making millions speculating in coffee. Recent price boosts lined a lot of pocket books.

# So Now Helping Fellow Strikers Is "Unfair Competition"?

By Bradford V. Carter
For Labor Press Association

BACK IN 1946 the heavy thinkers for big business piously declared that the end of price controls would not boost prices.

A little later they said the workers simply love that old Taft Hartley act, and only the labor leaders oppose T-H, because it clips their "despotic" powers.

When profits got really fantastic after the war despite all the clever bookeeping devices to hide them from the public, the heavy thinkers began explaining that the figures were an illusion, that the whole system of figuring profits was out of date, and that on the modern basis the big boys were merely making a modest living. In fact, as the new labor song puts it, the wife was wearing last week's mink.

These gems are worth enshrining, and when a new one comes along, old man B. V. Carter thinks you ought to hear about it. So, in case you haven't read the latest nifty, because your home town paper doesn't carry the column, here it is, in all its beauty.

For a union to strike one concern, and collect assessments to support that strike from its members working for other companies in the same industry, looks like unfair competition, and maybe the Federal Trade Commission ought to look into it.

That's the idea of David Lawrence, who's been around a long time, and he comes up with these beautiful notions pretty regularly.

Taking the Chrysler strike as his example, Lawrence mounts his horse and rides off madly in all directions.

His argument: The United Auto Workers-CIO, call a strike at Chrysler, halting production. That means that Chrysler's competitors presumably get the business that otherwise would go to Chrysler. The strike is financed not only by the parent union, but by assessments from UAW-CIO members working for Chrysler's competitors. Isn't that helping Chrysler's competitors, and isn't it, then, unfair competition?

And isn't that in effect a conspiracy by unionists to injure a firm that competes with the company they work for?

Lawrence isn't picking on the auto workers alone. He thinks the threatened strike against four railroads is the same thing, for he argues that if four railroads are halted by a strike, their competitors will get the business, and there again, unionists are indulging in unfair competition.

So, acording to Lawrence, striking only one auto company, or just some railroads, is unfair competition. To follow his argument, the only fair thing would be to strike all the auto companies, if there is to be a strike; or all the railroads.

But not long-ago, economic thinkers like Lawrence were shrieking to high heaven that an industry-wide strike showed labor is a monopoly, and there ought to be a law. In fact, they were all for outlawing industry-wide bargaining.

They went even further. They were for outlawing any arrangement whereby even individual contracts in an industry would expire at the same time.

The same sort of thinking that smells "unfair competition" in a strike against Chrysler while the other auto companies are working would have trumpeted all over the lot at any move to have all the auto company contracts expire at the same time.

Thus it appears that to strike only one segment of a given industry at a time is unfair, and to strike an entire industry at the same time is unthinkable.

When, or under what circumstances, would a strike then be fair? Ah, that's the beautiful nifty. It would never be fair. In short, no strikes.

We hate to break the hearts of these gentlemen, but it doesn't look as if the day will ever come when a member of a union will feel that it is unfair competition for him to help a strike of fellow-members in his own industry, for he knows that those on strike are fighting not only their own battles, but his too.

# Murray Asks To Abolish Denham's Job

WASHINGTON (LPA)—CIO President Philip Murray has written to all members of Congress to voice CIO's "unequivocal support" of President Truman's Reorganization Plan 12, which would abolish the independent status of the general counsel of the National Labor Relations Board.

Murray wrote that the CIO's objections go beyond its opposition to Robert L. Denham, who now holds the post. "The dual administrative structure" which makes the office autonomous "has enabled a single individual to exercise unparalleled, unbridled administrative power", Murray wrote. He charged that Denham has used "vast, arbitrary powers in a continuing crusade against unions" and has made the Taft-Hartley act "even more oppressive than its literal provisions."

Murray pointed out that for two years bona-fide collective bargaining has been seriously impeded by the present dual administrative structure, both management and labor have been subjected to conflicting rulings, and internal strife in the board has interfered not only with the growth of unions with the development of sound contractual developments. He said that even T-H backers hav ecome to recognize that the present administrative "monstrosity" is unworkable.

## *New CWA Unit In Canada*

TORONTO, Canada (LPA)—Local C-4, Communications Workers of America-CIO, has been officially chartered by President Joseph Beirne. Local C-4 consists of 500 workers in the installation and sales departments of Northern Electric, Canadian counterpart of Western Electric. President is C. B. Byrnes. Local C-4 is the fourth chartered in Canada by CW.


**APPLICATION FOR LOCAL 12 SUMMER CAMP**

**SPONSORED BY LOCAL 12, UAW-CIO, TOLEDO, OHIO**

Date.....

Boys Name ..... Phone .....

Address (Street) .....

City..... Zone..... State.....

Father's Name..... Mother's Name.....

Birthday—Month.. .... Day..... Year..... Race....

Is this your first year at a summer camp?.....

What special talents do you have?.....

Does your father belong to a Union?.....

Which Union..... Shop.....

Does your mother belong to a Union?.....

Which Union..... Shop.....

If recommended by someone in the Union, please have them sign below.

Signature..... Union.... Local.... Shop....

To safeguard their health ALL CAMPERS must have completed their inoculations for typhoid fever two weeks before going to camp. The inoculations will be furnished free. No boy will be assured a place in camp until he has completed his inoculations and this application is paid in full.

Whenever possible campers are allowed to choose their camp periods. Please check your preference and an alternate choice in case there are no vacancies in the period of your choice. Age limits are from 8 years to 14 years.

1950 CAMP PERIODS FOR BOYS

June 18 to June 24 (Weeks).....
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July 9 to July 15 (Weeks).....
July 16 to July 22 (Weeks).....
July 23 to July 29 (Weeks).....

1950 CAMP PERIODS FOR GIRLS

July 30 to August 30 (Weeks).....
August 6 to August 12 (Weeks).....
August 13 to August 19 (Weeks).....
August 20 to August 26 (Weeks).....
August 27 to Sept. 2 (Weeks).....

Whenever necessary Local 12 will furnish transportation. No charge.

PARENT'S AGREEMENT: In signing this application I certify that my son is amenable to discipline and is free from habits that would make him an undesirable camper. I understand that the registration fee that accompanies this application will be applied on the total for the period, also that the registration fee is forfeited if my son fails to attend camp. In the event of dismissal for misconduct no part of the camp fee is refunded. In the event of withdrawal because of sickness (home sickness excluded) a prorate refund will be made for the unexpired portion of the period.

Parent's Signature .....

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## Flavorful Breads

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If you have the time to spare, make a light yeast raised dough and spice it with cinnamon or nuts. When time is scarce, put together a quick, baking powder bread and serve with a flourish.

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WHEN EITHER TYPE of bread contains fruit, it will keep moist and fresh for several days. If you plan to use it for sandwiches, that's the kind to choose. When you want to serve and eat most of the bread immediately, choose the other varieties.

**LYNN CHAMBERS' MENU**
Apricot Juice
Ham Loaf
Baked Sweet Potatoes
Spinach Ring, Creamed Onions
*Cinnamon Nut Loaf
Lettuce Salad
Pineapple Chiffon Pie
*Recipe Given

**Date Filled Coffee Cake**
**(Makes 1 cake, 8x8 inches)**
**Filling:**
½ cup brown sugar
1 tablespoon flour
1 tablespoon cinnamon
¼ cup melted butter
¾ cup chopped walnut meats
¾ cup chopped dates

Combine ingredients and mix well.

**Batter:**
½ cup shortening
½ cup sugar
½ teaspoon vanilla flavoring
1 egg
1¼ cups flour
1½ teaspoons baking powder
½ teaspoon salt
½ cup ready-to-eat bran
½ cup milk

Blend shortening, sugar and vanilla. Add egg and beat well. Add sifted dry ingredients and bran alternately with milk. Pour half of batter in greased eight-inch square pan. Cover with date filling, reserving ½ cup for topping. Spread rest of batter over filling. Sprinkle remaining filling over top. Bake in preheated moderate oven (350°) about 45 minutes.

***Cinnamon Nut Loaf**
**(Makes 1 loaf and 6 2-inch muffins)**
1 package yeast, compressed or dry
¼ cup lukewarm water
1 cup milk
¼ cup sugar
1 teaspoon salt
½ cup melted shortening
3¼ cups sifted enriched flour
2 eggs
½ teaspoon vanilla extract

Soften yeast in lukewarm water. Scald milk. Add sugar, salt and shortening. Cool to lukewarm. Add one cup flour and beat well. Add eggs. Beat well. Add softened yeast. Mix well. Add more flour to make a stiff batter. Add vanilla extract. Beat thoroughly until smooth. Cover and let rise until bubbly (about one hour). Stir down and spread a thin layer of batter into loaf pan. Sprinkle ⅓ of Cinnamon-Sugar Nut Filling over batter. Spread a second layer of batter over the filling. Continue to alternate layers until there are three layers of batter and 3 layers filling ending with layer of filling on top. Bake in moderate oven (375°) 45 minutes.

**Cinnamon-Sugar Nut Filling**
½ cup sugar
3 teaspoons cinnamon
½ cup chopped nuts

Mix sugar and cinnamon until well blended. Add nuts.

**Poppy Seed Braid**
**(Makes 2 braids)**
1 package yeast, compressed or dry
¼ cup lukewarm water
¼ cup shortening
½ cup confectioners' sugar
1 teaspoon salt
2 eggs, beaten
½ cup milk or cream
4 cups sifted enriched flour (about)

**Filling:**
½ cup poppy seed
¼ cup honey
2 tablespoons milk or cream
1 teaspoon grated orange rind
¼ teaspoon salt

Mix together filling ingredients. Soften yeast in lukewarm water. Cream together shortening and sugar. Add salt. Mix well. Scald milk or cream. Add gradually, stirring well. Cool to lukewarm. Add softened yeast and eggs. Blend thoroughly. Add flour to make soft dough. Turn out on lightly floured board and knead until smooth and satiny. Place in greased bowl, cover and let rise in warm place (80° to 85°) until doubled in bulk (about 1½ hours). When light, punch down and roll into rectangular sheet ½ inch thick. With sharp knife or pastry wheel cut lengthwise into six equal strips. Put filling down center of each strip. Fold strips and seal together edges. Braid together three strips. Place on greased baking sheet. Let rise until double in bulk (about 1½ hours). Bake in moderate oven (350°) 35 minutes.

**Spicy Lemon Nut Bread**
**(Makes 1 loaf)**
2 cups sifted enriched flour
4½ teaspoons baking powder
½ teaspoon soda
1½ teaspoons nutmeg
¾ cup sugar
¾ cup chopped nuts
1 egg, beaten
1 medium-sized lemon
1 cup milk
3 tablespoons melted shortening

Sift together flour, baking powder, soda, salt, nutmeg and sugar. Add nuts and mix well. Combine eggs, milk and shortening. Cut lemon in fourths, remove seeds, and put lemon through food grinder. Add to egg and milk mixture. Add to flour mixture and stir until flour is moistened. Spread in greased paper-lined loaf pan. Bake in moderate oven (350°) 1¼ hours.

**LYNN SAYS:**
**Make Better Yeast Breads By Following these Rules**

Leftover egg yolks may be used easily in yeast bread dough. Use two egg yolks with one tablespoon of water in place of one whole egg.

If the kitchen is too cool to have the dough rise properly, place the dough in a closed cupboard next to a pan of warm water.

To get a crisp crust on yeast breads and rolls, do not grease the dough before baking. Let cool uncovered.

For rising, let dough stand at temperatures of 80 to 85°. If too warm, the dough may be dark colored, coarse textured and sour flavored. Also, the bread may not rise when placed in the oven.

Bread should color slightly during the first 15 minutes of baking when the rising is completed. If the crust does not color during this time, the bread may be too open and large holes will form in the crumb.

For a soft crust, brush the loaves with soft shortening or butter.

**Minnis Pearl told this one. During the recent "Grand Ole Opry" tour overseas Minie, Red Foley and Mrs. Foley were dining in a smart hotel in Paris. Exhausted from sight seeing, Mrs. Foley slipped her shoes off under the table—and couldn't get them back on when it was time to leave. With Minnie and Red giggling she marched out through the lobby in her stocking feet.**

Frankie Carle's band seems to be the most popular one in motion pictures; in the past two years they've made five pictures, two at Warner's, two at RKO, and one at Columbia. When they return to California next summer two more film assignments will be waiting. Meanwhile, on March 15, Frankie will begin a transcribed radio series, "Carle Comes Calling."

# Women's News And Views

**By Odessa Overy, Secretary**
**Women's Bureau Region 2-B UAW-CIO**

LOOK GIRLS! ! ! Next Monday evening the choral society is going to have a luncheon and refreshments. We will practice on the fourth floor next week so we can have the use of our women's rooms.

The choral group is going to sing at the Local 12 meeting on May 19th. We are going to sing with the band, and therefore we would like to have all of you come to practice the next couple of practices.

The choral group will also sing at the penny supper that the women's committee is going to have on May 25th, in parlor A.

Girls and boys, this supper is going to be superb. It will be the equivalent of a big meal for the cost of a few cents. All of you that wish to make reservations for this supper please contact me before May 15th. If this is a great success there will be many more like them. So come and help to make it a success.

The women's committee organization will hold their raffle at this supper and prizes will be awarded. The women would appreciate it very much if some of you good members would take a few chances on these raffles. The donation is only ten cents a chance or three for twenty-five cents. You just wouldn't miss a dime and it would help us out a lot. If you see your committeeman in the shop just corner the man and ask about the women's raffle, for there are a few of the committee that won't try to help the women out. They still think that the woman's place is in the home. But I dare say that I know quite a few women that do not work outside of their home and still they are always on the go and in some kind of activity that keeps them busy away from their homes. The men don't seem to think that these women are spending their money without helping to replenish it.

I would think that the men would like the women to work for this gives them a little more spending money but I have heard a few say that it is alright for them to work but they should keep their nose out of politics, and activities. Well, this kind of man is a man that is only trying to make a tool out of their wives just to get the money from them that they make. That is almost what they expected from the slaves in the oldendays. The women like to have a little pleasure some time too, and the pleasure that the women seek usually are the very inexpensive type of entertainment, such as the penny supper that we are sponsoring, and this takes away the boredom of life that lead to the divorce court sooner or later. So come on, ladies and gentlemen, and have a good time all evening, without it robbing your pocketbooks.

## *Stars With Charlie*

**Songstress Dinah Shore drops in on The Edgar Bergan-Charlie McCarthy Show Sunday evening (May 7) on CBS, just in time to help Charlie out of a financial jam by appearing on a show he is producing in Mortimer Snerd's barn.**

## Union Sues Wadd's For $730,000

ST. LOUIS (LPA) — A suit asking $780,000 damages has been filed in superior court by Local 20, United Mail Order, Warehouse and Retail Employers-CIO, against Montgomery, Ward & Co. In a 1945 dispute the government seized the plant and Sewell Avery, board chairman, was carried out of his office by soldiers. The company got an injunction, which ordered the union to stop publishing allegedly defamatory articles. The injunction was later set aside by higher courts. The union now charges the injunction damaged the union and its leaders.

## IUE Defeats UE In NLRB Election At Westinghouse

PITTSBURGH (LPA) — In the second major test of strength the International Union of Electrical Workers in the NLRB election at Westinghouse Corp. The IUE had won the right to represent 29,000, the UE had won for 12,000 and IUE spokesmen were sure they would be given the right to represent the 13,000 at the turbine plant in East Pittsburgh.

## CROSSWORD PUZZLE

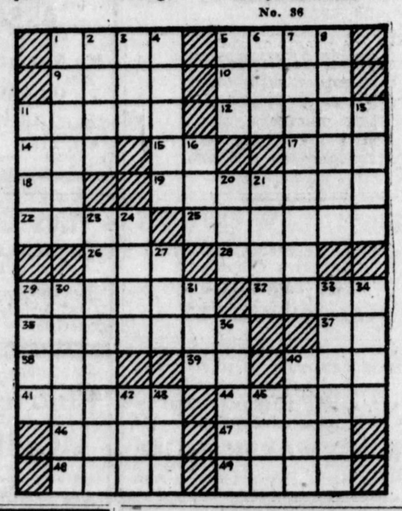
LAST WEEK'S ANSWER

**ACROSS**
1. Apple seeds
5. Gifts to charity
9. A fold in thread
10. Harvest
11. Saying
12. Sorcery
14. Girl's name
15. Hawaiian bird
17. Constellation
18. Music note
19. Congeals
22. Goddess of discord (Gr.)
25. A shade of red
26. Silent
28. Moved with speed
29. Weakened
32. Stitches
35. Topped
37. Close to
38. Ventilate
39. Water god (Babyl.)
40. Lever
41. Govern
44. To form
46. Narrow roadway
47. Golf term
48. Great quantity
49. Period of time

2. Particle
3. Kettle
4. Fool
5. Fortify
6. Meadow
7. A publication
8. Pinnacles
11. Sheer
13. Container
16. Grampus
20. Ever (poet.)
21. Epochs
23. Of an empire
24. Takes supper
27. Encountered
29. Mark of a wound
30. Gazelle of Arabia (poss.)
31. River (Scot.)
33. Less cold
34. Boil on eyelid (var.)
36. Crazy (slang)
40. Brazilian city
42. Antelope (Afr.)
43. Born
45. Spawn of fish

**DOWN**
1. Snipelike shore bird

No. 36



## *Most Photogenic*

**Ann Williamson beat a field of 16 entries to win the title of "Florida's most photogenic girl" at a contest at Cypress Gardens. (LPA)**

## Chas. McCarthy Opens Show

Charlie McCarthy open a barn theatre, starring Songstress Dinah Shore, in order to raise money to pay the damages caused by his latest escapade with Skinny Dugan, on Coca-Cola's Sunday night (May 7) Edgar Bergen-Charlie McCarthy Show on CBS station WJR at 8 p.m. EDT.

Seems Charlie and Skinny had come upon an "unemployed" hand-car down by the freight yards, and took it out for a trial run. All went well until they happened to look back and see a big streamliner bearing down on them.

Trying to out-run it, they jumped the track on a steep hill and plowed through a number of back yards and chicken coops, scattering poultry and vegetables for a spectacular distance.

Rather than pay the damages himself, Bergen reluctantly agrees to let Charlie open his little theatre in Mortimer Snerd's barn. Mortimer helps out by selling peanuts and various kinds of farm produce.

The play, itself, turns out to be a screwball melodrama, with Bergen, Dinah, Ray Noble and Charlie in important roles. Jim Backus, the mayor of Snerdville, louses up his part in the play by trying to work political speeches into the dialogue.

Frank Gill, Jr. produces and directs, and Bill Baldwin announces.

## Lobby Probe Takes New Tack

WASHINGTON (LPA) — The House Select Committee on Lobbying was forced by Leo Goodman, director of the CIO Housing Committee, to go beyond the mere mechanics of lobbying and look at the basic motives of lobbyists. Goodman charged the Committee for Constitutional Government, frequently tabbed Fascist in nature, had sent out anti-rent control literature under the frank of Congressmen Noah Mason (R., Ill.) and Ralph Gwinn (R., N.Y.) When Mason denied the use of his frank, Goodman said the committee should find who authorized its use.

# Your UAW Station

| SUNDAY | MONDAY THRU FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|---|---|---|
| 12:00—Ukranian Program | WDET 101.9 Megacycles FM Band | Luncheon Serenade |
| 12:30—String Classics | | Luncheon Serenade |
| 12:45—UAW Indust. Health Dept. | | Luncheon Serenade |
| 1:00—Proudly We Hail | | You and Your Health |
| 1:15—Proudly We Hail | | Songs By Bing Crosby |
| 1:30—Voice of the CIO | | Young Americans Look At Books |
| 1:45—Wm. Tusher—Hollywood | | Young Americans Look At Books |
| 2:00—Opera Matinee | | Bob Cordell Show |
| 3:00—Gilbert & Sullivan Conc. | Ernie Durham Show | Teen Tempo |
| 3:30—It's Your Life | Ernie Durham Show | Jerry Snider Show |
| 4:00—Musical Answer Man | Daily Almanac | Jerry Snider Show |
| 4:30—Music We Love | United Nations Report | Studio Showcase |
| 4:55—Around the Town — News of Entertainment and Cultural Events Around Detroit | | |
| 5:00—UAW Education Dept. | Liberal Look At the News | Salute To Reservists |
| 5:15—Here's To Veterans | Melody Roundup | Salute To Reservists |
| 5:30—Music For America | News Review | News Review (Valian Ins.) |
| 5:45—Union Story | Tommy Dorsey | Sports |
| 6:00—Keyboard Masters | Intermezzo | Intermezzo |
| 6:30—Brother Chairman | Labor Views the News Guy Nunn—UAW-CIO | Inside Detroit |
| 6:45—Vic Damone Sings | A Tapestry In Melody | A Tapestry In Melody |
| 7:00—Teen Tempo | Music You Want | It's Your Life |
| 7:30—French Music | Washington Report Kaiser-Frazer | Saturday Sports Special |
| 7:45—French Music | In the Public Interest (Wed.—Your Governor) | What's the Answer |
| 8:00—Detroit Public Library Concert (Pops Concert) | | |
| 9:00—Sign Off | WDET Round Table (Mon.—Community Clinic) | Sign Off |
| 9:30—Not On the Air | Invitation To the Waltz | Not On the Air |
| 9:45—Not On the Air | Frank Edwards—AFL | Not On the Air |
| 10:00—Not On the Air | Sign Off | Not On the Air |

# *Landlords Agree To Arbitrate After Four-Day Strike*

NEW YORK (LPA) — The 75,000 families in 1000 of New York's best apartment houses who suffered minor tortures during a four-day strike of the building employees, can blame the landlords. For the landlords finally agreed to arbitrate the issues — an offer made by the union several times before the walkout.

The strike was called by 12,000 members of Local 32-B, AFL Building Service Employees after mediators had failed to budge the landlords, and after the union had postponed the walkout for a week.

The landlords at first offered to arbitrate only if any wage adjustments or better conditions were held in abeyance until higher rents are authorized. The union refused, and the landlords finally gave in.

Arthur S. Meyer, chairman of the state mediation board, will head a three-man fact-finding board, which will hold public hearings, and then make recommendations. Its findings will not be binding, but both sides felt confident an accord would be reached.

The union announced that at the hearings it will press its original proposals: An increase of $12 to $14.30 a week, a cut in working hours from the present 48 to 40, and employer-financed pensions.

## Medico's Money

CHICAGO (LPA) — The American Medical Association's views of the relative importance of improving quality of medical education and of lobbying against health insurance are shown in the figures of how much its spent on each. The doctors' organization is raising a $3,000,000 fund to fight health insurance. Over the past 45 years, its Council on Medical Education and Hospitals has spent between $3,000,000 and $4,000,000 on improving and developing training of doctors.

## Labor-Backed Candidates Win In St. Paul

ST. PAUL (LPA)—Labor-endorsed candidates won the mayoralty and five of six council seats in St. Paul's municipal elections. Mayor Edward K. Delaney was re-elected, 44,711 to 26,767 for George Ostrand, backed by real estate interests. Four of the five labor councilmen were re-elected; the fifth was Frank Marzitelli, financial secretary of the AFL Bakers Union.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# SPARKLETS
## CHAMPION UNIT

**Lois Kramer, Dept. L 1st shift**

We wish to send good wishes to the following employees who have been on sick leave for some time:

Agnes Szmania, Isabella Essing, Genevieve McClellan, Pearl Block, Katherine Stevens, Mary Pifer, Margaret Smathers and Katherine Lyons. Drop us a card and let us know how you are getting along.

Ollie Wilson celebrated a birthday last week Many happy returns, Ollie.

Horace Greeley said, "Go west, young man, go west." But William Pegler says, "Go to Florida."

One of our inspectors received a nice promotion this week. Congratulations, Nick Carney. John Shanders will replace Nick Carney as inspector.

Eddie Briggs spent Thursday and Friday in Columbus, Ohio at the ABC Tournament.

What red head lost her green shoes at the Neil House at the Credit Union Convention? No, guess again, they were only outside her own door.

**Jim Vinson**
**Dept. D 2nd shift**

Speeding back from Columbus and the Credit Union convention, trying to make the important Union meeting on Sunday, Bernice Keller, Irene McLaughlin, and Dorothy Mann were stopped by the police who were operating the radar system.

Being blonde, brunette and red-head, what chance had these officers? No arrests were made. Which one of these lovelies stopped in Fostoria to shop for a banquet dress for the big "shindig?"

The Electrician Team, by winning their last three games, landed first place in the Night Owl Bowling League. The Office team furnished very hot competitton, but the Electricians could not be denied, every member bowling over 500. The Supply Team also bowled!

The way Stella Radabaugh has been dolled up lately, makes one wonder if there is not a man somewhere in the background.

Mary Seiple will be married on Saturday evening to Mr. Floyd Mantel. My dictionary says a mantel is the wood or marble facing around a fire place. Apparently there should be considerable warmth in this union. We were invited to attend the wedding and were deterred only by the fear that we might be offered a piece of cake! We wish this couple, much happiness.

The friends of Helen Hipkiss sympathize with her in the death of her brother. "The pain of love is parting," but the Christian hope is that we shall meet again.

Well, it had to happen, we suppose ,sooner or later! Several persons told us, on Thursday night, that Ray Roshong wished to see us at once. Apprehensive that Ray may have found a hair in his soup, we delayed. Finally, we rushed up to him out of breath, and guess what happened! Ray reached for a package, done up in a paper napkin, tremblingly we undid it. No! It couldn't be — but it was, a huge piece of wonderful cake. Ray was celebrating his birthday, a week late. That's the way to get space in this "colyum," folks.

The Annual Bowling banquet will be held at the Waltz-Hodgins Post on Saturday, May 6th at 7 p. m. You'll want to attend.

The friends of Edna Naugle raised a generous purse for her out of appreciation. Edna transferred to the day shift on Monday.

What has happened to "Rigor Nortis"? He certainly is living up to his name.

"In union there is strength" and in Unions, sometimes dissension. How deep is brotherhood? As deep, perhaps, as one's self interest.

Agnes Grudzinski entered Mercy hospital this week to have a minor operation. We hope it proves to be nothing more serious. Our best wishes, Agnes.

**Colonel Tarver**
**Dept E 1st shift**

Mildred Blatt celebrated her 21st wedding anniversary on April 24th. We hope you have 21 more happy years of wedded bliss, Millie.

Gene Kajtaniak quietly marked his first wedding anniversary on April 30th. Sincere good wishes for many more, Gene.

Sally Gorney passed her 22nd year at Champion on April 30th. Congratulations, Sally.

Helen Tipp passed her 14th year at Champion on April 22nd. Congratulations, Helen.

Ulva Howard had a birthday on April 28th and her machine was piled high with gifts from her many friends. Congratulations and best wishes, Ulva.

Steve Bobak and John Shanders left our department this week. Our best wishes go with you, Steve and John.

Margaret Ebeling was taken ill on April 28th and later reports show that she was stricken with spinal menningitis. We hope you have a speedy recovery. Margaret.

Congrats are in store for that everblooming and persistant "Electrician team" of the Nite Owl Bowling League. They have honorably ended in first place and the persistant "Supply Five" were runners-up, with only one game difference. Nice going, boys. Your reporter, as President of the League, wishes to thank all the bowlers of the league for their fine sportsmanship shown throughout the season. Hope we are all together again next year.

Attention all bowlers of the Day and Night leagues: Let's not forget the banquet coming on May 6th, Saturday. Anyone from Champion may purchase a ticket to the banquet at the cost of $1.25. Let's get a gang of fellas out and have a real time. This banquet is for Champion employees only. Banquet will be held at the Waltz-Hodgins Post at 931 W. Central Ave. at 7 p.m.

English, Leonard Borglin, Ole, Boy! I admire your answer to your column, in regards to our few and very few non-interested readers of our Sparklets. That's the spirit we need. The boys, you named openly, have only to remember that the wishes and likes of a lot of others should be respected along with the efforts of all the writers of these columns. If they "no likea it" then to ell with them. Again, nice going, English.

Here's a "Five Star Gal," so the "grape-vine" tells your reporter. Yep! Our little gal from the stud line, Harriet Secord, done made the Five Star Card. Say, Harriet, is it true that a nice shiney Gold Star was presented to you, each day on that ——— record? Oh boy, what a record. Let us in on it, eh? Harriett.

Just a reminder about the Cancer Fund Cans placed in the various spots in the shop. The showing thus far has not been so good. How about a little more push? 65% of every dollar donated will stay in Lucas County Division, of the American Cancer Society. This need is very great, here, as the small clinic at the Maumee Valley hospital is not adequate. If you care to donate more than dimes and nickles, a receipt will be gladly furnished by your Captain, Mrs. Hattie Kelly, of the Plug Tampers and the Credit Union. Remember, your receipt can be used for income deduction.

Come on, folks, let's dig a little deeper. Let's beat this Cancer with dollars..

**Dept. B 1st Shift**

Have you heard Freddie's Swingtet? They play at the Buckhorn Cafe, Oak and Greenwood on Fridays and Saturdays. Freddie, the steward in B, plays the drums, sings and calls occasional square dance. He played with the W.L.S. Barn Dance and appeared at the Capitol Theater with the Hoosier Hot Shots and Red Foley. Also, locally on WTOL, WTOD and WSPD-TV. He also made an appearance at the Village Barn in New York City. Freddie is now starring as steward in department B 1st shift under the name of Clarence Fredrick. He has in his band, a Swing Guitar, Bill Summers and a piano solovox, Art Chortie and they play the latest numbers and popular rhythms.

**Leonard "English" Borglin**
**Dept. D 1st Shift**

Here are, I think, some more interesting notes I uncovered regarding "How Our Company Handles Grievances No. 296." Some weeks ago, I reported that the Company had spent approximately $15.00 in overtime for committeemen plus the time lost by Mr. Beatty and Mr. Beiswenger to settle a grievance on the air ventillation system, which involves eight people to the tune of about $16.00, for one hour lost time.

On April 17th another meeting was called regarding this particular grievance and one involving an employee who had lost his job because he wasn't reported out before his seventh day had elapsed. This meeting lasted 2 hours and 45 minutes. Present were the entire committee plus Howard Seren our Local 12 president, Mr. Beatty, Mr. Beiswenger and this time, Mr. Sibley, whose salary exceeds, I am sure, more than anyone of the others. Bear in mind some of the night committeemen got paid overtime for coming in early and the day committemen got paid overtime for staying after 3:30 p.m.

The first time they met, Mr. Beatty knew only about one half of the grievance and he said, I, Leonard Borglin, had something personal against Mr. Stranahan. How Mr. Beatty says it isn't the $16 so much, as he didn't like the people leaving their place of work but believe you me, he would not want to sit in a cold draft especially like the one that was prevalent on the day in question. On this particular day, Hohn Holly, assistant foreman, said to the girls, "If they wanted to get paid for downtime, they would have to sign up." This they did, but Mr. Beatty denied this. I, also, remember sometime ago when a number of girls ruined their hose in the restrooms, as a result of some chemicals being used, Larry Mankin offered the girls $1.25 to reimburse them for their total loss, Mr. Beatty denied this.

Yet when Howard Seren asked permission for the people involved in the grievance to come up to the Conference Room, at a cost of another $40.00, Mr. Sibley got economical and said the company could not pay this grievance. Mr. Beiswenger said the people could make up the lost hour but a few weeks ago they were opposed to a collection for the Plaskon workers because it would slow down production. Now, I ask you, how long does it take to drop a quarter in a can and pass it on?

At the final disposition of the meeting, the company said they would not pay the lost time because they did not believe the grievance was justified.

We know the contract was violated and in this case the company chooses to ignore the contract and in the case of Wilson Beaverson, they want to stick to the contract entirely. This grievance is going into the next stage.

Blood donors last week were Florian Wachowiak, Vern Montague, Silverine "Dottie" Jones, Beulah McGillvary, Jack Schneider and Robert Leonard. All these generous people donated to Chas. Wasserman, father of Margaret Chandler in D. Thanks a million, folks.

Peg Altweis celebrated her birthday on April 26th. Knowing Peg as well as we do, it doesn't have to be her birthday for her to celebrate, she does that every day. Much better than being morbid, keep it up and many more birthdays to you.

Floyd Wachowiak's band was voted "The Most Popular" Polka Players, Congratulations Floyd.

Don Brown returned to work on May 1st after spending a few months in Arizona. He was there on account of his little daughter. Don says she is doing fine.

Tedora Gisekn now Mrs. Czerminski, returned to work on May 1st. She was married two weeks ago and she and her husband spent their honeymoon touring the east.

Lots of new faces in the department on Monday, May 1st, too numerous to mention, but in time, I hope, their names will appear in this column.

We hear that Cecelia Ryan's sister was married last week-end and the following Monday and Tuesday, Cecelia didn't show up for work. Could it be she went along on the honeymoon????

## Housing For Israel

**A union-sponsored plan has raised $3,000,000 toward financing low-cost housing in Israel, where thousands of families are still forced to live in tents. Discussing the project are (left to right) President Jacob Potofsky, Amalgamated Clothing Workers-CIO; Israeli Ambassador Eliahu Elath; and President David Dubinsky, Int'l Ladies Garment Workers-AFL. (LPA)**

# Acklinite

By LEWIS MATTOX

After many meetings with management, it looks like we will soon consumate our new contract. It is the opinion of the writer that the International Officers Richard Gosser, Charles Ballard and Orville Beemer, along with the Executive Shop Committee, deserve thanks for the splendid job of negotiating our new pension and insurance program.

The delegates to the Toledo Industrial Union Council are as follows: Mary Curtis, Anne Szalkowski, Lewis Mattox, Chester Staniszewski, Stanley Schoviak, Arthur Hyde and Ted Iwanicwi.

The proposed pension and insurance program was accepted unaminously at the special meeting held at Local 12. Attendance at this meeting topped any meeting ever held. Let's all go to our Unit meetings.

The boys who served on the picket line deserve the thanks of all our members.

Charles Gomersall says he will teach our boys and girls square dancing. Anyone wishing to enroll in the class please notify the Shop Chairman or Charlie himself.

Big Slim, the Committeeman of the small line, is doing O.K. according to the reports from the girls.

Wee Willie Love invited some of the boys over to see his new television set and it seems to be a very good one.

At last it seems that Andy Gump attended a union meeting.

We are waiting patiently for the Management to put in the new floor by the tables at Buddies. It was promised to us several months ago.

The problem of excessive absenteeism has been brought to our attention; also the fact that those who are absent do not make the necessary report. Let's watch this!

Good bye now, see you next week.

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## Leaders Support Co-op Housing

Greenbelt, Md. (LPA) — Spokesmen for 21 cooperative organizations announced May 3 they would form a National Association of Housing Cooperatives in the near future with the backing of Congressional leaders, CIO leaders and the cooperative movement. Announcement came after meetings in Washington and Philadelphia at which officers were chosen and a continuations committee formed. The continuations committee will prepare proposals for a constitutional convention to be held at an early date.

Senators John Sparkman (D, Ala.) and Ralph Flanders (R, Vt.) issued statements in support of the new organization. Murray Lincoln of the Cooperative League of the USA and William Sanderson, president of the Wisconsin Association of Cooperative voiced warm backing as did Walter P. Reuther, president of the United Auto Workers-CIO.

The national association intends to make the fullest possible use of the cooperative housing section established under the government's mortgage insurance program operated by the Federal Housing Administration, the sponsors announced. In addition, the next Congress will be urged to adopt President Truman's cooperative plan for middle income housing.

Chairman of the continuations committee is Michael Salzman, president of Greenbelt Veterans Housing Corporation. Leo Goodman, director of the CIO Housing Committee, was named treasurer and Joseph Rauh, one time deputy administrator of the National Housing Administration, is general counsel. Technical advisor and executive secretary is Donald Monson of Detrit, expert and author on cooperative housing.

The 21 cooperatives represented at the Philadephia and Washington meetings are located in Rudubon Park, N. J.; Philadelphia; Bellmar Park, N. J.; Washington; Moylan, Pa.; Columbus, Ohio; Glen Mills, Pa.; Greenbelt, Md.; Bethesda, Md.; Media, Pa.; Denver; Hollywood; Chicago; Detroit; Willow Run, Mich., and Linden, N. J.

Q—I will complete my high school course in 1951. As a veteran of World War II, discharged in 1945, will I be entitled to GI training benefits if I decide to go to college in the Fall of 1951?

A—Since you were discharged from the armed services before July 25, 1947, you must start GI Bill training before July 25, 1951.

# National Supply Unit News

By DEAK and DOCK

Something noteworthy! At least we have a general manager that has the human decency to put back in line those foremen, who lose control of themselves, and makes life miserable for everyone concerned. This, we recognize as most essential good labor relations and should be practiced by both Company and workers. That's why we can't understand how so many foremen and supervisors go scot free when they muff a job, such as those R T 45 gears that recently went through the heat treat before they were cut. Certainly this was no fault of the worker, but by the time it gets to top management it will be. And too, it's no fault of the worker if the foreman tries to force him to work by an impractical and inhuman method and time-study. Certainly Bob Volk must have given this much thought before he so politely took that whip from some of the foremen and slid them back in line. For this we commend Bob.

Humorous Hummer Harris recently had the occasion to play golf with one Dr. Harris and some friends at the State Hospital, picking their caddies from the inmates of the institution, went merrily on their way. On the third green, Hummer purchased a ball from his caddy for 25c, and again on the fifth green was taken for 35c. By the time they reached the end of the course, they again were in conference, this time he became suspicious and with one eye on a very familiar looking ball, asked the caddy where he was getting all the golf balls. Over there, came the answer, but much confused Hummer gave the caddy another 25c and sent him on his way only to find he had purchased his own golf balls. Moral: Never try to outdo the other guy, he may be a better Diplomat than you.

Paul (has all the luck) Welton Dept. 128, on the last night of bowling got stuck for two beer frames, seeing that all for the season, we would say, that either good bowling, or doing a good job of keeping out of the dog house.

We'll never know by the weather were having that spring is here, one sure sign is, Clarence Fisher, Dept. 54 has removed his long red flannels.

Corey Winfery Dept. 54 wasn't going to get stuck with the only 1950 Chrysler made, so he swaped it on a new Ford, while John Balanger also Dept 54 is sporting around in a new Hudson. Some class?

Via stork express came a bundle of blue to Mr. and Mrs. Noonan, who works in Dept. 53. And to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Birtwistel was delivered a pink bundle of joy. Charles at one time worked in Dept. 52, and Grandpa (Ed) is the one and only Englishman in Dept. 54.

After copying the blue print on three occasions, Bob finally came through by having a blue bundle delivered to his home, and a box of cigars to the shop. Congratulation to all and much health and happiness to the youngsters.

H. Lorenz one of the former foremen of Dept. 43 was called back, but just to get a roasting over the bum casting the foundry puts out.

We wish to extend our sympathy to Bros. Roy Keeler, Department 44, whose Aunt, Eva Keeler, recently passed away.

At the last meeting, someone called Ray Thurman a grease monkey, now why should they do a thing like that, when every one knows Ray's title is Lubrication Engineer.

The way Slicker Sullivan has been herding the t-16 rig parts around the shop, you would think he was personally trying hatch one. Is he the new expediter, or is this a case of — either produce or go west young man—go west.

The best suggestion, (on what to do with the Method Dept.) to date, was made by a machine operator ,after finding a boner in the process record, was ELIMINATE IT.

Ray Peabody Dept. 128 just returned to work after a long absence due to an injury, glad to see you back, Ray.

Many happy returns of the day, to a fine couple Mr. and Mrs. Art Denman, April 21 was their wedding anniversary.

Saw one of the guys from the shop making whoopee last week —often wonder when I see this, what his wife is doing about this time.

Who is the new committeeman who goes around slapping the foreman on the back, and even handing out cigars to some of supervision, does he want us to mention his name, or will this bit of news stop him!

What happened to the campaign promises we heard when we elected our new committee, it seems like the boys figure they are safe for another year, when you find nine absent from a Unit meeting.

We bet Pro. Butch Bowers is plenty mad at the weather man, for keeping him from strutting his stuff on the golf links with the hootnanney boys. They had better build pontoons on those N. S. Co. golf-carts.

They must be slipping this year, changing from Sunnydale to Ottawa Park, or were prices at the 19th hole to steep for N. S. Co. wages?

The newly sandwich is lettuce us alone!

Looks like George Ball, toolroom, will have to wait another year before he can help the Mud Hens raise a pennant. Be patient George, you have waited 22 years now.

Evidently, General Earl Williams can't decide whether he is working for the Inspection the production Depts., or is it case of never being able to decide anything himself? He rides the inspectors if they pass anything that is slightly off, yet when they reject bad work, and the foreman object, the General jumps the inspector. Make up your mind Williams, your immediate superior would never pull a stunt like that.

# Local 12 Camera News

Jack Domito joins Local No. 12 camera club. Jack who works at the Auto-Lite says that he has been taking pictures for the past four years, and the pictures he liked best were the pictures he took of his wife and his three month old baby girl. He promised to bring more pictures of the baby to the next camera club meeting.

**Arnold Shenofsky**

Bill Osenbaugh suggested we buy different size negative carriers for the enlarger, so that the different members who have various size film could use the enlarger too.

Glen Aufdenkampe suggested that the weather should stay warm so we could shoot some outdoor pictures.

See you all at the next meeting Friday, May 6, Room 211.

Arnold Shenofsky
Glen Aufdenkampe

## Union Man Wins Title And $500

ST. PAUL (LPA) — 1950's "Psychiatric Aide of the Year" is all-union. He is Irwin Peterson, an attendant at Minnesota's Moose Lake hospital, who was awarded the title (and $500) by the National Mental Health Foundation. He sparked the program at Moose Lake to discard restraints in the treatment of the mentally ill. Peterson is chairman of the AFL State, County and Municipal workers local at the hospital.


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# In Our Opinion

by HOWARD REDIGER
EXECUTIVE SECRETARY of T.U.C.

UNDER THE PRESENT unemployment compensation act one of the most important stipulations is as follows:

"No individual shall be entitled to any benefits unless he or she is able to work and available for suitable work and is actively seeking such work, either in a locality in which he has earned wages subject to the unemployment compensation act during this base period or at a location where such work is normally performed; and is unable to find suitable work."

A short time ago I wrote a column about "actively seeking suitable work." If you are on unemployment compensation you must be actively seeking work. The paramount reason for this second column on the same subject is the fact that employers are forcing the issue of this issue. And it is getting tougher on the unemployed every day in this respect.

Workers are being turned down every day for not seeking work actively. Some of the cases are pathetic. Under these conditions it is necessary for the unemployed to have the right answers and qualifications. Here is what you should be able to do when reporting each week at the Bureau of Unemployment Compensation on Michigan St., or at any other bureau in any other city:

1. Be able to say you are actively seeking work.
2. Tell where you have sought work. Have three or four places.
3. Be able to tell where you sought work by application if the company took your application.
4. If you answered want ads be sure to have other evidence. Do not depend on ads alone.

We are saying all this for a good reason. The employers of Toledo are forcing the issue on the matter and it will get tougher and tougher on this one matter alone . . . so be prepared when you report each week . . . have the right answers.

As an illustration, if you have seniority at The Consolidated Rock Co., and the B. U. C. sends you to a job in some manufacturing company, tell the employer you have seniority at the Consolidated Rock Co. and intend to return to work there as soon as called. But do not refuse the job, the employer probably will not hire you because you will go back to your old job where you have seniority. Make the employer turn you down . . . don't turn the job down because you will cut off your compensation.

This should be some kind of a lesson to those who think unions should be in politics. We got the unemployment compensation act thru politics and it must be improved or amended by politics. If there is any other way to do it the method is unique.

Up to date there is no legal definition as to the meaning of "actively seeking work." But undoubtedly there will be one forthcoming. Under present conditions the BUC is handing down decisions on "actively seeking work" on a rule of thumb basis.

The Toledo Industrial Union Council is going to make an effort to see if we can actually get a definition of "actively seeking work" from the Bureau of Unemployment Compensation. Maybe we can and maybe we can't, but we will certainly try. Such a definition would go a long way in unravelling a badly tangled mess . . . and help a multitude of the unemployed.

## Charges Franking Abuse

CIO Housing Director Leo Goodman tells a Congressional committee investigating lobbying that in 1948 the Committe for Constitutional Government used the franking privilege of Rep. Ralph Gwinn (R., N. Y.) to send its propaganda through the mails. Above, Goodman shows a copy of the CIO News containing the story to Reps. Frank Buchanan (D., Pa.) and Charles Halleck (R., Ind.) (LPA)

## Taft: Natural Gas

**Taft pushed the Kerr bill through the Senate and voted for it.**

**It passed**

**The Kerr bill would have raised the gas price in Ohio.**

**It would have made many independent gas companies rich.**

**One company it would have made rich is Carthage Hydrocol, Inc.**

**President of Carthage Hydrocol, Inc is Guy Gabrielson.**

**Guy Gabrielson is chairman of the Republican National Committee.**

**Gabrielson is a major supporter of Taft.**

**So Taft worked for, and voted for, a bill that would have permitted gas companies—including that of his GOP friend Gabrielson—to gouge the housewives who use natural gas.**

**President Truman vetoed the bill.**

**It is up to the Ohio voters to veto Taft.**

## Demos Slate FEPC Bill For Senate May 8

WASHINGTON (LPA) — The fight over whether to take up the bill for a Fair Employment Practice Commision will break on the Senate floor May 8, and Democratic leader Scott Lucas (D. Ill.) intends to try to close off debate within a few days. Lucas announced the long-delayed FEPC bill would finally get a break, after a meeting of the Democratic policy committee May 2.

Immediately after voting on funds for another year of the Marshall Plan ends Friday evening, May 5, Lucas anounced he'll move to take up the FEPC bill. Southerners and some Republicans are expected to object, and the first test of the new cloture rule will come then. It requires a majority of the members of the Senate to cut off debate and get a vote, under the Wherry cloture rule adopted early in the 81st Congress. Heavy absenteeism—there were 73 Senators excused from the session of the Senate on the day the Democratic policy committee met—will make it extremely difficult to vote cloture. Until that is done, though, no direct debate on the FEPC proposal can take place. If he's licked the first time, Lucas said, he'll try again in a few days.

Southerners might try to defy Lucas and move to substitute social security improvements for the FEPC measure. In addition, they can attempt to push two "privileged" matters which could interrupt debate on FEPC—the basing-point price-fixing bill conference report, on which extended debate is expected, or the proposal by Sen. Robert Taft to reject the President's reorganization plan which would abolish the post of general counsel Robert Denham on NLRB. Taft has served notice he'll try to bring it up on May 10. Unionists are working hard to defeat his motion, and if they're successful on the Senate side, strategy of the anti-labor men will be to try to bring it up in the House before May 23, the deadline when it will go into effect unless disapproved by one house of Congress.

## Taft Startles Own Followers

COLUMBUS, OHIO — In two remarkable interviews recently, Senator Robert A. Taft has revealed:

1. As a minority leader, he believes he has no "responsibility for presenting a program" to the country.

2. He believes President Truman guilty of an unstated crime because the President "is a stubborn little man and always keeps his word."

In the first interview, Taft said, in almost as many words, that he will base his campaign for reelection on a negative platform of opportunistic criticism of the Democratic administration, rather than on constructive proposals of his own.

He told newspapermen that the only role of miniority leaders is "one of opposition and criticism."

Continuing, he gave voice to politically cynical views in these words:

"When they are out of control, individual senators can go out on the floor and fight a program, do what they want to, win or lose, and then go back and wait till something else comes along that interests them."

On the subject of keeping political promises, Taft was just as explicit.

In an interview with Robert Crater of the Columbus Citizen, the Ohio senator sneered as he discussed Trumans' record of keeping his political promises and thus keeping faith with the people.

To emphasize his point, Taft added, "Truman, once he has pledged himself, must go through with his promises."

Taft's blunt cynicism startled even those who normally ride his bandwagon.

In Gop political circles, raised eyebrows greeted publication of these two interviews, for two old-fashioned virtues, keeping one's word and cooperation of all political forces to achieve good government, had suddenly become vices in Taft's eyes.

Editorial apologists, usually quick to rationalize Taft statements and actions, let these two interviews go by without comment. As one liberal newspaperman remarked to his city room colleagues, "Even the white-tower boys couldn't explain away those cracks."

### *Big Steel In Monopoly Probe*

WASHINGTON (LPA) — All of the big shots of US Steel Corp. appeared before the House Monopoly Investigating committee April 25-28, to answer Chairman Celler's question of how big the corporation should be allowed to get. Price-fixing, alocations of scarce ore and steel supplies to favored subsidiaries, and participation in discussions to revive the pre-war international cartel were all charged to US Steel in the course of the hearings.

# *Spicer Unit Members View Detroit Co-Ops*

A group of approximately 45 Spicer shop stewards, employees and wives boarded a chartered bus for Detroit Saturday, April 29. The top objective, an inspection tour of actually operating Co-op markets such as the one planned for Toledo. The tour was sponsored by Spicer Unit having four Co-op board members making their first visit.

The first stop at 10:15 was Motor City Co-op No. 2 at 12460 Conant St. where the group was met by the store manager and given an explanation of the operation of the unit. Here for the first time, prospective members were given a real life picture of how the market is set up and a chance to compare national brands of merchandise with Co-op canned goods and groceries on points of quantity, quality and price. This market also handled meat and fresh produce. Questions were answered as they came up for comment by Detroit group leader, Mr. Graham of the Educational Dept., Co-op Division of the UAW-CIO. (International).

Next stop was a Consumer Clothing Center sponsored by Detroit unions and co-ops, at 3423 Livernois. This unit specialized on a $20-$30 price range for mens suits and coats, and also carried women's and childrens' apparel and mens' work clothing. Price and quality comparisons again were of interest.

At a Co-op restaurant on Michigan Blvd. the group was served lunch. The cooking here was very good and the service prompt and efficient, they reported.

Fourth stop on the schedule was the new Fordson Co-op market at 15237 West Warren. Here Mr. Graham explained the operation of this latest modern Co-op in the Detroit area. The card system of recording purchases of members was explained to keep account of the annual refunds. This system was in operation in both stores. Further questions of interest to all were answered and improvements in showcases and merchandise tiers noted; also methods of pricing items on display and general arrangement, the idea of making the shopping expedition a real pleasure, was well worked out.

The bus load was back in Toledo by 5 p.m. A brief summary of the day's events was presented by Mr. Charles Clark and Mr. Wendell Whaley and the significance of what they had seen explained. The group disbanded full of enthusiasm and vim and vigor to get to work harder on the new Toledo Co-op Market.

### *AFL-CIO Group Stages Dance At Bay City, Mich.*

BAY CITY, Mich. (LPA)—With State officials present, the joint CIO-AFL political action committee of the county held its first annual ball at Bay City's Wenonah hotel. Dave Finn, AFL, is president and Rudolph Sierras CIO, is recording secretary. Among the guests were Gov. G. Mennen Williams, State Representative Martha Griffiths, Tom O'Laughlin, president of the State AFL, Chuck Rogers, UAW-CIO legislative and PAC representative, and Bill Kemsley, Michigan CIO Council education director.

### Joint Labor Committee Holds First Rally

PORTSMOUTH, Ohio (LPA) —The first meeting of United Labor's Legislative Committee for Scioto County filled the high school auditorium here. Speakers were: Phil Hannah, secretary of the Ohio Federation of Labor; Michael J. Lyden, president; Martin H. Miller, head of the legislative department of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, and Jacob Clayman, secretary of the State CIO.

## More Mine-Smelter Workers Favor UAW-CIO Die Casters

Another die casting plant severed its affiliation with Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers on April 12th by voting UAW-CIO 198 to 3. Organizational work began on the plant almost two years ago when the die casters seceded from Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers. Representatives of Regional Director Letner's staff and staff members in the Die Cast Department headed by Vice-President Richard Gosser, have been in contact with the Mine Mill Local in the plant since 1948. A Labor Board election held a year ago was lost as a result of extravagant promises made by the Mine Mill organizers and the former Chief Steward of the plant. Folowing the election, not only were the promises of Mine Mill not kept, but working conditions were worsened.

The victorious struggle of the Rupert die casting workers to obtain a legitimate union to represent them was marred by the killing of one of the UAW supporters in the plant, Leland Martin, 44 years old and the father of two children. The Company was apparently very anxious to keep Mine Mill as the bargaining agent and on March 31, 11 of the key people were discharged.

Representatives of the Regional staff of the UAW-CIO, between Friday and Monday morning, tried every way possible to get the 11 people reinstated, but were unsuccessful. On Monday morning, April 3, the 11 discharged employees picketed the plant. None of the other 250 employees crossed the picket line. The picket line continued from Monday through Wednesday without incident. On Tuesday, April 4, there was an NLRB hearing as a result of the petition that had been signed on March 16. The company objected to the election, contending that the Mine Mill contract was a bar to the election. No consent election could be arranged and the matter was left for a formal hearing. Wednesday, April 5, the Electric Sprayit Company of Sheboygan, Wis., a customer of Rupert Die Casting, obtained a writ of replevin in a circuit court in Kansas City to obtain certain parts, fixtures, lay-out gauges and machinery. The writ was executed by the Sheriff together with the employees of the Sprayit Company and in the course of the truck leaving the plant, Leland Martin was run over by the truck and killed. Several others were injured. Some quite badly. The truck drove directly into the pickets on the instructions of the Deputy Sheriff who was riding the truck with a gun in his hands.

### Phone Strike Off, Bargaining Resumed At All Points

WASHINGTON (LPA) — The Communications Workers of America-CIO, called off its nation-wide strike at the last moment when Joseph Beirne, CWA president, said there were signs of an agreement soon, and bargaining was resumed at 25 points. The 11,000 installation workers of Western Electric remained out, but there was no picketing.

### Rent Curbs Face Tough Battle

WASHINGTON (LPA) — If Congress lets rent controls die June 30, there are bound to be strong pressures for wage raises to make up for rent boosts, AFL President William Green warned the Senate Banking committee. The House Banking committee starts its hearings May 8. Most support appears to be for one-year extension, with decontrol of all states and cities which do not request continuation of federal rent curbs.

## *Copper, Brass Plants Form United Front*

### Delegates Represented 60% Of Industry's Fabricating Plants

The Copper and Brass Council held its second meeting in Buffalo on April 22-23. The main purpose of the meeting being to formulate plans for a united front in their fight to obtain adequate pension and social security plans in their plants.

Vice President Richard Gosser who is also the Director of the Competitive Shop Wage & Hour Division reports that Fraternal delegates were in attendance from the Progressive Metal Workers Council of the Connecticut Valley, who are affiliated with the CIO Shipbuilders, and also from the A. F. of L. The delegates in attendance represented approximately 60% of the Copper-Brass Industry's Prefabricating and Fabricating plants throughout the United States.

The Conference adopted a 5-point program establishing a united front. Two of the main points agreed upon were to hold the line in their demands for a 10c package in all of the Copper and Brass plants, and to give the UAW-CIO full support with finances and manpower to complete the organization of the Revere Copper and Brass plant in Rome, New York.

## Piston Ring Council Helps UAW

The Piston Ring National Wage and Hour Council meeting in its regular quarterly session at Columbus, Ohio on April 15th — 16th unaimously voted to donate $200.00 from its treasury to the International Emergency Strike Fund, and pledged its full moral and economic support to all strikers throughout the UAW in their fight for pensions, health insurance, and other economic demands.

The Council also held its annual election of officers, all of whom were elected unanimously:

President, Robert Gray, L. U. 156; vice president, Charles Reese, L. U. 156; recording secretary, John A. Willoughby, L. U. 416; treasurer, Kenneth Ammerman, L. U. 416; trustees are: Harvey Yeager, L. U. 231; Harold Rochelle, L. U. 416; and Carl Batchfield, L. U. 370.

**Correction**

**An advertisement in the Toledo Union Journal stated Amos L. Conn is Judge of Common Pleas Court. It should have read Judge Amos L. Conn of the Court of Appeals, Sixth District.**


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## Hats Off To Plaskon Workers

THE MAGNIFICENT display of a solidarity, singleness of purpose and grim determination of the Plaskon workers throughout their long and bitter strike, just concluded, is certainly admirable, to say the least.

The Plaskon workers, fighting back against the fierce onslaught unleashed them by their powerful and wealthy employer, the Libbey-Owen-Ford Glass Co., were successful in retaining not only their old rights, but in fact succeeded in making new and momentous gains for the future.

The Plaskon strike, one of the longest in Toledo's history, teaches us a good many lessons. It teaches us that the first prerequisite of winning any strike depends upon the solid unity of the workers involved. Wherever the workers stick together, there victory is inevitable.

And when we talk about workers sticking together, we mean not only the workers who are directly involved in the given strike, but all organized workers in our community. Certainly this was the case in the Plaskon situation. Organized workers within and without the UAW-CIO — with few exceptions — gave unstintingly to support the Plaskon workers. Financial support forthcoming from these many unions made it possible for the Plaskon workers to carry on their fight.

True, in a large sense, this strike was not the "private affair" of the Plaskon workers. It was, in fact, the fight of all organized workers in Toledo. For it was plain enough from the very beginning that a defeat for the Plaskon workers would be a very serious defeat for all workers in our community.

Plaskon was to determine whether or not there shall be continued peace—labor-management peace — in our community or rampant warfare. Certainly the defeat of the Plaskon workers would have encouraged those selfish interests in the hierarchy of Toledo's Big Business who have been calling for a "showdown" between our unions and the employers for quite sometime now.

These same selfish business interests are not so vociferous now since they know that Organized Labor is standing together in solid ranks. And it is safe to assume that before another employer provokes our people into strike action again, hoping thus to defeat the legitimate aims of our people, he will think and think seriously.

It must be noted also that this long strike was rather peaceful. No bloodshed on the picket lines. No attempts by the Corporation to break the strike with strike-breakers and professional thugs. Not even court injunctions.

It was, indeed, a magnificently disciplined strike.

What a far cry from the old days when picket lines were always dotted with bloody heads, tear gas attacks and — Remember Auto-Lite in 1934? — the bodies of dead workers!

It is, indeed, a pleasure for us to say to the rank-and-file Plaskon workers, to to their officers and to the officers of our International Union — first of all Vice-President Gosser — and to the multitude of Toledo workers who supported this strike: Well done.

## Getting Ready For November

WITH THE PRIMARY elections behind us, we can now begin to clear our decks for the coming crucial election battles in November. There is no question in our minds but that Joseph T. Ferguson, the unquestioned winner in the democratic primaries for the U.S. senatorship, should receive the solid support of all Ohio citizens who believe in progress.

At this point it is well for us to say that Mike DiSalle, Toledo's popular Mayor and our candidate for U.S. Senate in the primaries, made an excellent showing throughout the state. The 14 to 1 vote that Mr. DiSalle received in Lucas County is certainly brilliant testimony to his popularity with the voters in our own community.

**It is also gratifying to note that Tom Burke, incumbent Congressman from the 9th District (Lucas and Ottowa Counties), also made a brilliant showing. Drawing more than twice as many votes as the Republican victor, Mr. Burke clearly demonstrated that he has vote-getting power. In return, the voters who gave Mr. Burke such a large vote in an election where he had no opposition indicated with equal clarity that they appreciate the excellent job that Tom Burke has been doing in Washington since he was sent there two years ago.**

The renomination of Michael Damas, Morton Neipp and Frank W. King to the General Assembly is another proof that people generally appreciate honest and conscientious work on their behalf by their representatives in the State Legislature. Certainly Messrs. Damas, Neipp and King have been doing just that and they deserve, by every standard, re-eletcion to their present posts in the coming November elections.

Victory in the primary elections, however, is far from a victory in our final and general elections in November. And while it is tremendously important that all citizens vote in the primaries, the crucial tests come in November. That is the time when jobs are filled.

**Therefore, it is of paramount importance that we begin NOW to prepare for those November elections. Taft can be defeated. Ferguson can be elected U.S. Senator from our State. The same holds true for Tom Burke and to all the others whom we feel will serve the best interests of our people and consequently of our state and nation. So, don't let up on the oars. Pull and pull ever harder until Taft and his cohorts can be eliminated from our public payrolls and retired to private life where they belong.**

We can win. But we'll have to work like hell to do so.

## A Great Senator Defeated

THE DEFEAT of Senator Claude Pepper, Florida Democrat and staunch New Dealer, in last Tuesday's primary elections by George Smathers comes as a shock to us.

It is difficult to believe that a man of Sen. Pepper's stature . . . a man who has labored untiringly through twelve long years in the U.S. Senate in the interest of the common people of his state and country should be defeated by a political nonentity. Especially when that political nonentity is a reactionary Dixiecrat of the worst type.

For that's all George Smathers is. As a member of the House during the last term, George Smathers has lined up against every phase of President Truman's Fair Deal program on every ocasion..

On the other hand Sen. Pepper has long been an outstanding champion first of Pres. Roosevelt's New Deal and, since 1945, President Truman's Fair Deal program.

He was well-known to organized labor. In 1937 he delivered a brilliant address to the National CIO Convention in Boston and in return received a standing ovation from the delegates.

The defeat of Sen. Pepper will be keenly felt by the Truman Administration and by all those who oppose the incredibly reactionary policies of the GOP-Dixiecrats coalition.

## Democracy Should Be Scared

DOUBTLESS THE fifty or so people who prevented the holding of a so-called May Day meeting of the Communist party last Monday in Timm's Hall on East Broadway are all good Americans. Most of them, we are told, are ex-G.I.'s who fought for democracy in World War II.

Unfortunately, however, their action in stopping this meeting — no matter how strongly they may disagree with the opinion that would have been expressed at this Communist meeting — is not in the spirit of true democracy, true Americanism.

For to us Americanism and democracy is synonymous. You cannot separate one from the other. If you do, Americanism will no longer be Americanism as it has been handed down to us by our forefathers and democracy will be but a mockery, a sham behind which we shall witness rampant intolerance against all minorities who may disagree with popular opinions. Certainly the vast majority of the American people are opposed to Communism. The people in our midst who profess Communism are but a mere handful.

The very lifehood of democracy is freedom of speech, press, assembly and religion When anyone of these basic rights is denied any one or a group of our people we endanger the very structure of our democracy.

In fact, when we start pushing people around telling them what meetings they may or may not attend; what kind of philosophy they may or may not believe in — and all this in clear violation of our existing laws — we shall degenerate to the level that all dictatorships inevitably sink to.

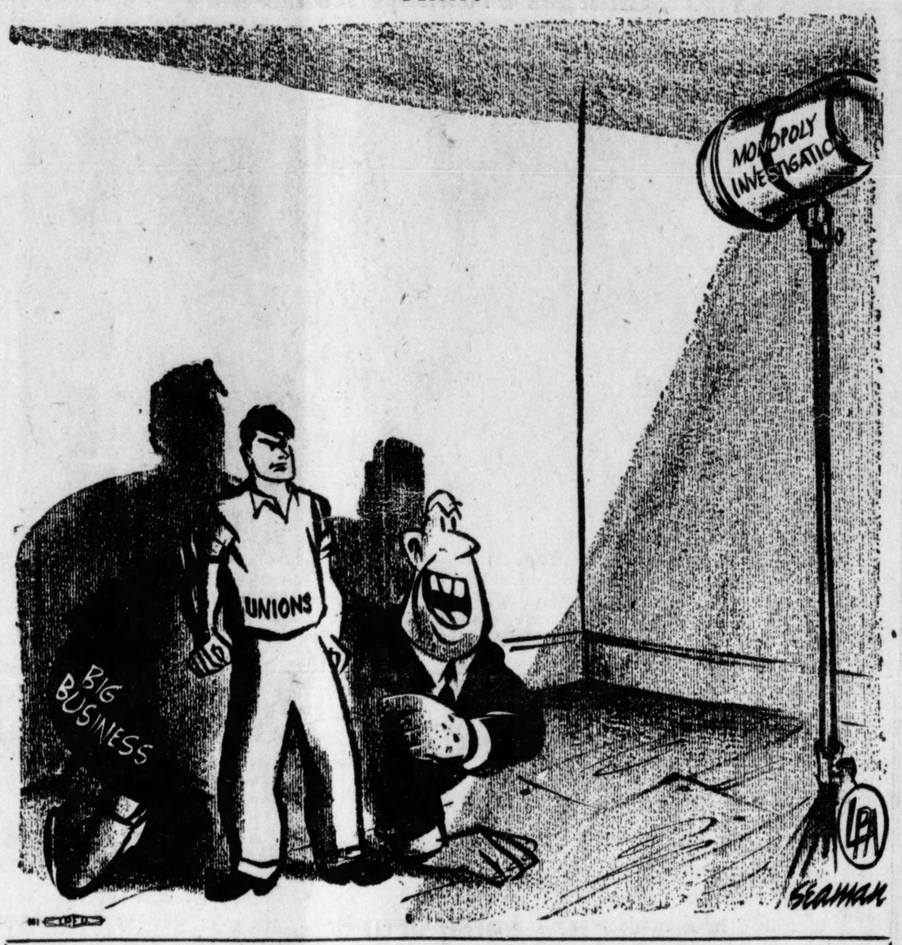
These are, indeed, trying times. We must at all times remember that the price of democracy is heavy.

At the same time we should never forget that the blessings of democracy are great.

Remember, too, the immortal Voltaire who said ". . . I may disagree with what you are saying, but I will fight to the death for your right to say it."

Therein lies the very soul of our democracy. Without it our democracy will die.

## "Him!"




## This You Ought To Know

By Pete Zvara

THE MOST FREQUENT objection to strikes that I run into—and I suppose this holds true in most cases — is the argument that "strikes cost too much." Obviously, having had considerable experience with strikes myself, it would be rather stupid to deny the facts that strikes are very costly. Especially for the workers directly involved.

Pete Zvara

And I am not talking of "financial costs" alone. That, at least, we can measure. And to a degree, ameliorate depending upon how much money is available for "strike relief" in any given situation.

In the current Chrysler strike, for example, as of this writing, it is estimated that it had already "cost" $1,307,478,640. This same estimate, prepared by Automotive News, claims that the Chrysler dealers alone lost an estimated $227,500,000 in commisssions because there were no cars available for deliveries.

How much this strike cost to the Chrysler workers in lost wages is not known exactly, but it runs into astronomical figures.

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WHAT IS WHOLLY immeasurable in any strike, especially the long and bitter ones, is the human suffering brought on by these economic wars. It is a commonly accepted fact that most workers lack financial reserves that would take care of them and their families in cases of long periods of enforced idleness. Even without strikes, most workers when they are laid off have to apply almost immediately for either relief or unemployment compensation. Even a cursory study of the relief figures of any industrial center will reveal that relief rolls mount rapidly within a week or two after large scale lay-offs in industry.

So, strikers begin to feel the full brunt of any strike almost immediately after their fight begins.

And with economic hardship, comes a thousand and one problems that makes life difficult indeed for all those who are compelled to resort to the strike weapon.

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YET, DESPITE these conditions we see workers ready to fight—ready to engage in economic warfare against their employers. The reason for this is simple enough. They have no choice. Either they fight or accept abject an dunconditional surrender at the hands of their employers.

Again, let us take the Chrysler situation. The crux of the entire fight in this case—as in almost 99.44% of all strikes — is money. Chrysler workers wanted what amounts to about 10 cents per hour increase in wages. They wanted to apply this flat, **specified sum** to a pension and welfare program. Chrysler officials refused. So ,the fight started. And now, as of the moment, it had cost the Chrysler Corp. many times over what it would have cost them had they accepted the proposals of the Union to begin with.

True—an dthis is a cardinal difference—the strike cost nothing as far as the Chrysler officials are concerned. They didn't lose any of their pay. Some of them may even get a good bonus at the end of the year.

In actuality, these Chrysler officials—just like company officials in similar situations everywhere and everytime—used the investments of their stockholders as an out-and-out war fund to battle their workers. It is their major weapon. The workers suffer intensely while these company officials go on receiving their fabulous salaries as if their plants were in full boom.

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SO, WE AGREE that strikes are costly. Very much so. But how much more costly would surrender be? Let us suppose that we would accept whatever offers the high and mighty corporation bosses would offer us, how could we make progress . . . how could we live? Well, perhaps we could live. After all, even the slaves existed somehow. But isn't it a fact that strikes and revolts of all kinds on the part of the common people take place because they find existing conditions unbearable.

More, these clashes from time immemorial have taken place because there was no other way to bring about basic improvements in the living standards of the people.

We fought for and built our unions because we had to.

It wasn't a matter of choice.

And now—as in the past—we have to engage in occasional strikes because the masters of industr yand business prevent us from achieving our goals peacefully without suffering and at times, bloodshed.

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THEREFORE, when you look at these strikes in that light, the price—even though fearfully high—is not prohibitive. In reality it is a price that is exacted from us because we are not strong enough to get what rightfully belongs to our people any cheaper.

But the masses of people never really got anything for nothing. The very creation of our country from a vast continent of trackless wilderness, inhabited solely by fierce Indian tribes who resented the intrusion of the white man to their virgin land, was brought about at terrible expense to our people.

How many people died on the endless prairies and on the treacherous deserts of our Far West?

Yet, the human tide swept on and on until it reached the shores of the Pacific and thus eliminated the last frontier.

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TODAY THE WORKING people are striving to break through the only frontier that is left for our people. And that is the frontier of our economic world . . . a world which, if fully utilized, could easily bring about tremendous improvements for all those who man it.

Well, it is not so easy to crash through that frontier . . . to crash through the barricades set up in front of our people by those "civilized savages" who are today the masters of this vast and relatively virgin continent.

Undoubtedly the cost to advance into this new promised land is, indeed, fearfully heavy.

But the promised bounty of this new land, once fully utilized for the benefit of all, is beyond comprehension.

## Editor's Mail

**Dear Editor:**

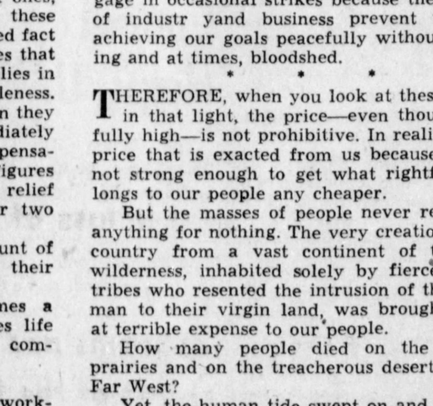
I have been watching the Journal and comparing the stories in the Journal and the Blade as they come out.

Pretty often it seems to me that you have to read what happened in the Journal to find out what the truth is. The Blade either leaves things out or mixes the words up so even if they are telling the truth some of the time you don't know what the truth is anyway.

So I am glad to be getting the Journal so I can check up on things important to my union and know what is really going on.

Keep up the good work.

J. J. O'M



**Being an American is another way of saying that you are one of the luckiest people on the face of the earth. Making America what it is took a lot of doing — a lot of thinking, and believing and dying. A lot of hard work. As the days go by, more and more communities will be preparing to celebrate "I Am An American" day. Between now and then we might all, with profit, reflect with humility that it is up to all of us to make sure our sons and daughters will be just as lucky when they say, a generation from now, "I Am An American."**

# Regional Views

By Richard Gosser, Vice President
International UAW-CIO

**This Week's Guest Column Written By The Staff Secretaries**

A STAFF member has definite hours—but they're all in the morning.

That is, he is supposed to be in at 9 o'clock no matter what time he quit the night before.

There is only one exception to this. If he is organizing a plant, or is assigned to a strike, he starts about 5:30 or 6 a.m. instead.

The rest of his time that day is controlled by (a) how long he can stay on his feet, (b) how late he can find anyone to talk union too, or (c) how late the negotiating sessions last.

When we hear some union member say, "Gee, I wish I could get a nice soft job on the staff—a bed of roses," he may be thinking about the petals. We think of the thorns.

An organizer gets more gross pay than the average worker in a shop. His net, per hour, is about 75 cents.

Naturally he kicks in a great deal more to voluntary strike funds and emergency situations. Recently staff members were chipping in more each week on the Chrysler AND the Plaskon strike than the average shop worker gives to any one emergency situation in a year.

What's more, he's glad to do it.

You see, no one can work for a union like UAW unless he is so completely convinced that the union and the work is important and worth doing that he just doesn't bother about either income or hours.

He works while there's something to be done.

The wives of staff members are part-time widows, and many of them are pretty swell about it. They are contributing, too—contributing the "best years of their husbands lives" to the labor movement.

A staff member is supposed to be able to swing from a strike to an organizing drive, from a drive to a bargaining session, from a session to a policy conference, and from a conference to an election campaign and keep all the threads straight.

Often enough, they do all of these things, and more, in a single day—and occasionally seven days a week.

Sundays and holidays and evenings are for union members. Not for staffers.

This is not just locally, of course. The whole thing begins with Walter Reuther, and Richard Gosser, and permeates the entire organization.

There is a big job yet to be done for the organized workers (and the unorganized ones, too) in the UAW-CIO jurisdiction.

Much of it is done by the rank-and-file inside the shop. But the load falls on a staff—always too small, always too busy.

Why do unions work their staffers so long and so hard? Because the payroll from which they are paid is dues money, and dues money is not to be squandered just to make life a bed of roses for staffers.

That's why we girls in the office, who see what's going on, get a little bit shrill when we hear someone belittle the reps. Everyone loves a bargain—and the biggest bargain on the market today is what the union member gets for his money when a staff member has put in a "day" on the job.

# Inside Region 2-B

By Charles Ballard
Director Region 2-B UAW-CIO

SEVENTEEN YEARS AGO the citizens of the sovereign state Ohio, exercising their constitutional right to pass laws by the process of the Initiative Petition, submitted successfully to the voters of the state a plan to aid aged people. Popularly the law is known as the Old Age Pension Law.

The Old Age Pension Law, is actually, not a pension law. The Old Age Pension Law provides merely another form of relief. In order to qualify for this relief one must be 65 years of age, have an income of $660 or yess per year and must be in need. The amount of aid payable is limited to a maximum of $55 per month plus some medical benefits. However, not everyone gets the $55 when he reaches the age of 65, even though he has qualified for the pension. The amount a person receives is based on his actual "need" as determined by the Division for Aid to the Aged.

Ordinarily one thinks of a pension as an income one receives in his declining years which will supplement his life savings. Not so under the state aid program in Ohio. The law in this state provides that if one has available sufficient income and resources from a husband, wife, child ,or other person responsible by la wfor his support, then he is not eligible for the pension from the state. This places the financial burden of supporting one's parents on the children. It only makes into law what is a natural obligation of children. However, under present economic conditions the children are hard pressed to keep their own families living on a decent standard.

One seldom thinks of a pension as a loan. However, if a person over 65 has any property of value, then his pension from the state amounts to nothing more than a loan. The state has a lien on the recipient's property (with certain statutory exemptions), to the amount of money he has received under the Old Age Pension Law.

The present law does not require a pensioner to give up his home but provides that he trustee it to the state while he retains a life estate for himself and his wife. The law further provides that he must keep the property in good repair and pay all taxes and assessments. The effect of this provision has been, in the majority of instances, to force the pensioner to divest himself of his home because on $55 a month one cannot pay high taxes, assessments, and salvage enough from the $55 or less to live on.

When this law was passed it marked a mile stone in social progress. However, the law is already outmoded. We are fighting for the right of people working in industry to receive a reasonable income after 65 if they choose to retire. We are campaigning for the right of persons covered under social security to receive an adequate income after 65. We believe that all persons, whether working in industry covered by social security or not should be able to look forward to the day when they can retire gracefully on an adequate income without having to mortgage their home.

We believe that now is the time to take another step forward by insuring that every person receive an income of $100 from some source after retiring. We are confident that America is capable of taking care of its aged. We believe that the citizens of the Sovereign State of Ohio should again lead the way.

# Gems Of Thought

**METHOD**

The first idea of method is a progressive transition from one step to another in any course.

—Coleridge

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The poet's line, "Order is heaven's first law," is so eternally true, so axiomatic, that it has become a truism; and ts wisdom is as obvious in religion and scholarship as in astronomy or mathematics.

—Mary Baker Eddy

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The shortest way to do many things is to do only one thing at a time.

—Cecil

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Method facilitates every kind of business, and by making it easy makes it agreeable, and also successful.

—C. Simmons

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Method is not less requisite in ordinary conversation than in writing, provided a man would talk to make himself understood.

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—Addison

Be methodical if you would suceed in business, or in anything. Have a work for every oment, and mind the moment's work.

—W. Mathews

# Box Total Donation For Plaskon Welfare And Publicity Fund

| UNIT | Previous Total | Wk. End. 4/29/50 | Total To Date |
|---|---|---|---|
| Acklin | $ 853.44 | $ None | $ 853.44 |
| Acme Spec. | 60.93 | 6.85 | 67.78 |
| Airway | 610.52 | 448.00 | 1,058.52 |
| Am. Brake | 7.10 | None | 7.10 |
| Am. Floor | 42.54 | None | 42.54 |
| Assoc. Prod. | 70.48 | 6.00 | 76.48 |
| Auto-Lite | 1,080.07 | 327.40 | 1,407.47 |
| Ayling | 124.81 | 8.00 | 132.81 |
| Banting | 10.25 | None | 10.25 |
| Baron St. | 9.42 | None | 9.42 |
| Bingham | 1,240.78 | 147.00 | 1,387.78 |
| Bliss, E. W. | 979.24 | 87.16 | 1,066.40 |
| Buckeye Pt. | 76.53 | 6.50 | 83.03 |
| Burt Fdy. | 124.37 | 12.40 | 136.77 |
| Butcher-Hart | 262.30 | 21.50 | 283.80 |
| Buddies | 18.96 | None | 18.96 |
| Champion | 917.51 | 13.50 | 931.01 |
| City Mach. | 242.04 | None | 242.04 |
| Col. Burner | 90.24 | None | 90.24 |
| Conkey G. E. | 21.25 | 2.70 | 23.95 |
| Daney Foundry | 4.45 | None | 4.45 |
| DeVilbiss | 524.70 | None | 524.70 |
| Dupont | 8.50 | None | 8.50 |
| Ensign | 49.95 | None | 49.45 |
| Formed St. | 62.55 | 7.00 | 69.55 |
| Ft. Pitt | 18.80 | None | 18.80 |
| Herman Fuel | None | None | None |
| Home Maid | 6.48 | 4.00 | 10.48 |
| Ind. Heat | 230.00 | 25.00 | 255.00 |
| Int. Harv. | 15.47 | 1.60 | 17.07 |
| Jones, S. M. | 83.29 | 36.50 | 119.79 |
| J. & L. Unit | 251.40 | 1.25 | 252.65 |
| Keller Pen | None | None | None |
| Laclede | 69.89 | 8.00 | 77.89 |
| Lakeside | 162.07 | None | 162.07 |
| Martin-Parry | 607.28 | 32.00 | 639.28 |
| Mather | 813.00 | None | 813.00 |
| Nat. Supply | 703.76 | 46.25 | 750.01 |
| P. M. Plastic | 48.54 | None | 48.54 |
| Peters | 456.00 | 49.00 | 505.00 |
| Pioneer | 11.71 | None | 11.71 |
| Pipe Threading | 440.27 | 61.45 | 501.72 |
| Plaskon | 585.67 | None | 585.67 |
| Pressed St. | 117.52 | 17.50 | 135.02 |
| Ransom-Rand | 313.60 | 66.00 | 379.60 |
| Rathbun-Jones | 112.62 | 18.14 | 130.76 |
| Save Elec. | 38.07 | 4.42 | 42.49 |
| Slater Sys. | None | None | None |
| Spicer | 1,988.16 | 252.35 | 2,240.51 |
| Spicer Off. | 25.00 | 25.00 | 50.00 |
| Std. Comm. | 62.49 | None | 62.49 |
| Std. Tool Die | None | None | None |
| Superior Sp. | 8.59 | None | 8.59 |
| Surf. Comb. | 440.98 | 88.50 | 529.48 |
| Swartzbaugh | 569.31 | 114.30 | 683.61 |
| Tillotson | 421.14 | 29.74 | 450.88 |
| Tol. Casting | 56.54 | 5.47 | 62.01 |
| Tol. Met. Furn. | 252.43 | 17.52 | 269.95 |
| Tol. Porc. | 265.06 | 30.00 | 295.06 |
| Tol. Scale | 738.42 | 159.77 | 898.19 |
| Tol. Stamping | 73.60 | 11.87 | 85.47 |
| Tol. St. Tube | 391.58 | 34.50 | 426.08 |
| Tol. Wire Prod. | 61.00 | 5.00 | 66.00 |
| Victor | 14.14 | .97 | 15.11 |
| Watson | 5.23 | None | 5.23 |
| Welever | 19.37 | .38 | 19.75 |
| Wilk, Abe | None | None | None |
| Willys | 12,662.88 | 1,281.18 | 13,944.06 |
| Local 11 | 100.00 | None | 100.00 |
| Local 14 | 150.00 | None | 150.00 |
| A. P. Parts | 207.17 | 17.85 | 225.02 |
| Atlas Bronze | 6.92 | 2.00 | 8.92 |
| Bunting | 34.62 | None | 34.62 |
| Chevvy | 150.08 | None | 150.08 |
| Kent-Owens | 21.28 | 4.00 | 25.28 |
| Marleau | 4.62 | 1.00 | 5.62 |
| Rauh | 21.01 | 3.35 | 24.36 |
| T. M. T. | 784.36 | 64.02 | 484.38 |
| Local 16 | 560.70 | 50.00 | 610.70 |
| Local 48 | 200.00 | None | 200.00 |
| Doehler 1058 | 1,416.58 | 88.00 | 1,504.58 |
| Schultz 1064 | None | None | None |
| Local 9 Glass | None | None | None |
| Textile | 25.00 | None | 25.00 |
| Clothing Wkrs. | None | None | None |
| Brew. Wkr. 60 | None | None | None |
| Brew. Wkr. 257 | 50.00 | None | 50.00 |
| Oil Wkr. 346 | 100.00 | None | 100.00 |
| USA 4180 | None | None | None |
| Utility 349 | None | None | None |
| Off. Wkrs. 29 | None | None | None |
| Food-Tob. 297 | None | None | None |
| P'king Hse. 65 | None | None | None |
| News Guild | None | None | None |
| RR Wkrs. 1516 | None | None | None |
| Paper Wkr. 185 | None | None | None |
| Optical 1123 | None | None | None |
| Local 12 Meet. | 70.22 | None | 70.22 |
| Policy Mtg. | 95.38 | None | 95.38 |
| Officers, Office Girls, Bldg. Maint. | 244.95 | 23.00 | 267.95 |
| Strike Kitch. | 371.09 | None | 371.09 |
| Int'l Union Officers, Reps., Office Girls Reps. | 274.00 | 17.00 | 291.00 |
| Re-Deposit | 26.63 | 9.86 | 36.49 |
| Local 14 Bar | 1.76 | None | 1.76 |
| R. McGuire | 2.35 | None | 2.35 |
| J. Chapman | 7.00 | None | 7.00 |
| Armour | 1.00 | None | 1.00 |
| Bakery Wkrs. AFL | 1.00 | None | 1.00 |
| E. W. Bliss AFL (Pat. Makers) | 34.00 | None | 34.00 |
| Schultz Die MESA | 23.70 | None | 23.70 |
| Wm. Skahil | 20.00 | None | 20.00 |
| Int'l Union | 3,680.00 | 1,380.00 | 5,060.00 |
| Local 105 | 40.00 | None | 40.00 |
| Local 106 | 12.58 | None | 12.58 |
| Local 110 | 50.00 | None | 50.00 |
| Local 128 | 150.00 | None | 150.00 |
| Local 211 | 50.00 | None | 50.00 |
| Local 446 | 12.00 | None | 12.00 |
| Local 493 | 131.31 | None | 131.31 |
| Local 497 | 37.64 | None | 37.64 |
| Local 533 | 57.84 | None | 57.84 |
| Local 617 | 100.00 | None | 100.00 |
| Local 619 | 6.42 | None | 6.42 |
| Local 638 | 50.00 | None | 50.00 |
| Local 643 | 100.00 | None | 100.00 |
| Local 711 | 337.65 | None | 337.65 |
| Local 775 | 50.00 | None | 50.00 |
| Local 827 | 187.52 | None | 187.52 |
| Local 913 | 20.00 | None | 20.00 |
| Local 914 | 100.00 | None | 100.00 |
| Local 959 | 100.00 | None | 100.00 |
| Local 975 | 200.00 | None | 200.00 |
| Local 160 AFL Die Sinkers | 18.00 | None | 18.00 |
| Grace James | None | 5.00 | 5.00 |

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|---|---|
| Income Week Ending 4/29/50 | $5,186.75 |
| Previous Total | 41,145.62 |
| Total Collected To Date | $46,332.37 |
| Expenses Week Ending 4/29/50 Direct Relief, Fuel, Groceries, Gas Coupons, Loans, Insurance, Utilities, etc. | $4,604.13 |
| Pamphlets (Publicity) | $591.12 |
| Previous Total Expenditures | $73,178.69 |
| Total Expenditures To Date | $78,373.94 |
| Deficit | $32,041.57 |


# What Have You Got To Lose?

**Workers are being urged to resist the "welfare state," the "hand-out state," the "socialistic drive for security."**

**Pensions and Welfare Programs are foreign ideas, the propagandists insist, unAmerican, subversive, unwholesome. As a matter of fact, they are simple insurance against loss.**

## *How About Management?*

*They take out insurance against embezzlement.*
*They take out insurance against strike loss.*
*They take out insurance against the weather.*
*They take out insurance against fire and flood.*
*They take out insurance against damage suits.*
*They take out insurance against broken windows.*
*They take out insurance against war damage.*

**The fact is, management takes out insurance against everything they can think of that might result in loss of the thing they cherish most --- PROFITS.**

**Pension programs and welfare plans are the workers' way of doing the same thing --- insuring against loss of the things they cherish:**

*LOSS OF THEIR LIVES*
*LOSS OF THEIR HEALTH*
*LOSS OF THEIR JOBS*
*LOSS OF THEIR YOUTH*

**What the employers really mean, of course, when they bleat about the workers' demand for these forms of security is that the workers ought to be willing to purchase these insurance programs for themselves. Good idea, too. We'd be glad to, if management would pay us enough.**

**In the meantime, thank you, we'll take out the insurance anyway, and see to it that management, which can afford these costs, pays the premiums. If times get so tough somebody's insurance has to be cancelled, let management cancel a few policies on profits, and keep the policies on our lives, health, jobs and youth.**

# INTERNATIONAL UAW-CIO

## IN THIS CORNER

with E. C. "RED" MAC DONALD

LESTER FELTON, fast-rising Detroit welter who made such a hit here on the Local 12 amateur cards a few years ago, runs into another tough character tonight in the Motor City. He will face the battling Costa Rican, Tuzo (Kid) Portuguez.

Portuguez is the lad many ring observers say has the makings of a champion. We saw him twice on television and he looked like a first-class fighter. He kayoed Paddy Young the first time and then dropped a close decision in the rematch.

But in both fights the Costa Rican looked very clever. The Kid has got plenty of energy and starts moving in and throwing punches with the opening bell and never stops until it's over. And you'd think he had the strength of a bull for he never seems to tire.

Another point in his favor is his manager, Joe Gross, who has handled seven champions, now has the Kid. Gross is one of the finest trainers in New York.

Felton, on the other hand, is a pretty fair fighter himself and right today is rated the third best welterweight in the country by Ring Magazine's Nat Fleischer.

There's only one thing for sure about Lester, he certainly hasn't ducked any of the top notchers. His manager, Bert Lamb, has scheduled three fights against Ike Williams, but none has come off. Williams seems to get out just before ring time.

His latest trick was to post a $1,000 check for a guarantee to meet Felton. Williams backed out but the check bounced higher than a kite. At this writing Detroit ring officials were still wondering what course to take.

It's quite obvious Williams doesn't want any part of Felton.

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PLANS ARE now being made for the Local 12 Softball League and from all indications another banner season is in store. Most of the men who have participated in the past are eagerly awaiting the opening pitch.

Softball, which is probably played by more persons than any other sport, gives a person a great opportunity to exercise and also the advantages of meeting fellow employees some place besides the shop.

We are proud of our Local 12 softball activities but prouder still of the large number of men and women who take an active interest in the game.

If you are trying to shed a pound or two join the team at your shop and get out on the diamond. You'll be surprised at the friendly atmosphere and enpoyment you will find.

### New Pistol

Resembling both the Jap Nambu and German Luger externally, the Ruger (named after designer William B. Ruger) the new automatic pistol is chambered for the .22 caliber long rifle catridge, regular or high speed loads. It weighs 36 ounces and is 8¾ inch overall with a 4¾ inch barrel. Detachable magazine holds 9 catridges. Unlike most .22 auto pistols the Ruger does not have a slide. Instead the firing pin, extractor, etc., are contained within a cylindrical bolt that operates within the receiver. The standard model is fitted with fixed sights, checkered hard rubber grips and groved trigger. The Ruger handles nicely and represents a worthwhile dollar value.

There is also a new Colt Match Target Woodsman .22 caliber automatic pistol on the market. Differing from the parent gun this variation has a 4½ inch barrel, weighs 36½ ounces and is 7 inches overall. Other than appearing shorter and being 4½ ounces lighter there is no mechanical difference between the long and short barreled Colt M.T.W.

The 4½ inch barrel job should appeal to the avid target shooter who also wants a holster sidearm for informal plinking and woods use.

## It's Lacrosse Time Again

The Toledo Hertzfelds Lacrosse Club, winner of the Canadian - American championship last year, open their home schedule at the Toledo Sports Arena Saturday night, May 13, with the Windsor Sterlings.

The Toledoans defeated the Sterlings four games to three in a best of seven series last year to bring the Hiram Walker trophy out of Canada for the first time.

Coach Ray Brodeur has had 25 players working out at the Windsor Arena during the past week in preparation for the opening game against Windsor at Windsor on May 2nd.

Four members of last year's Sterlings have been signed by the Toledo club. They are Steve and Julius Gall, Clyde Long and Donnie Bush. From last year's team are: Goallie Skeets Harrison, Walt Young, Vaughn Graham, Kenny Cooper and Charlie Maxim.

Among the 25 players who have been working out at Windsor are: Nick Kadlubisky and Anzo Chaittaro and two speedy Indian players, Truman Jamieson and Herb Smoke.

Earle Drouillard and Clyde Long will act as assistants to Coach Brodeur during the season.

The Toledo club will return to Toledo for practice before the start of the home season when the Roller Derby concludes its stay at the Sports Arena on May 7.

Tickets for the first home game, May 13, are on sale at the Sports Arena, B. R. Baker Company ticket office, and the Buckeye Paint Store, 3401 Collingwood, in Toledo.

## "Watercade" Opens May 16

The most spectacular show of its kind, Johnny Weismuller's "Watercade," opens May 16th at the Toledo Sports Arena.

Starring America's best known swimmer, who was recently voted the "outstanding swimmer of the half-century" by sportswriters throughout the country, the "Watercade" is an excitement filled 2½ hours of musical revue type entertainment featuring over two dozen top-notch aquatic and stage acts. The production is staged and directed by Notl Sherman.

Holder of 57 world's records and five olympic championships, Weissmuller has been as well known as "Tarzan" or "Jungle Jim" of motion pictures. His popularity is unprecedented for a swimmer, and it will zoom to new heights when he concludes this, his first, personal appearance tour.

There's an hilarious comedy act by the world's best, Bill Lewin, aquabatics by lovelies Margot and Birgit, trick diving by Whitey Hart and Stanley Dudek and straight diving by Heavyweight Charles Diehl and Norma Dean, National Intercollegiate Women's Diving Champion. Rounding out the pool portion of the program is a water ballet ensemble featuring the Aquanymphs, 48 beautiful swim queens.

## Brown Heads Reef Club

### Group All Set For Fishing Season

Al Brown, a member of the Champion Spark Plug Unit was re-elected to his third term as president of the Champion Reef Club.

Al Brown

The Reef Club is composed of ardent anglers from many other plants in the city. The group first organized in 1947 having at that time 16 members. Since then it has expanded in membership to include DeVilbiss workers, Toledo Machine & Tool, Surface Combustion, Willys - Overland. Machine & Tool and also having in its membership ranks doctors, attorneys and contractors.

The Reef Club plans its fishing outing from June 14 to Oct. 9 averaging two to three boats on each trip. The prize catch from last season is credited to Walter (Skippy) Will, secretary of Surface Combustion Unit, having snagged one, a pickerel, weighing 8½ pounds.

Its present 75 members expect to surpass last season's number of trips counted at 87 which included fishing in Canadian waters.

Other officers of this club are John Conrad, treasurer for three years, Cap Andrews, vice-president and Walter Will, John Grup and Dick Miller, trustees.

## Roller Derby Ends On May 7

### Popular Sport Well Received

The Roller Derby, which has been currently skating at the Sports Arena in Toledo, will wind up its series Sunday afternoon (May 7) at 3:00—with the Toledo Westerners skating against the Brooklyn Red Devils.

The games between the two teams started Tuesday and continue nightly, with the last game scheduled in the afternoon on Sunday.

Brooklyn boasts of the most colorful figure in Derby personnel in Captain Midge (Tuffy) Brasuhn. Tuffy has endeared herself to millions of Americans through television.

With victories over the Jersey Jolters and the Philadelphia Panthers during the curren series, the Westerners have assured themselves of a cut of the $85,000 melon at the National championships in June at Madison Square Garden.

Four teams will enter the final preliminaries and the winner of the playdowns will meet the League champion. The purse will be divided among the skaters of the five teams.

The Derby, playing for the first time in Toledo, established a new all-time high in attendance for the Toledo sports center. Near capacity crowds greeted the skaters at practically all of the games played during their 16-day stay.

Tickets for the Roller Derby games are on sale at the Sports Arena box office and the B. R. Baker ticket agency.

## Softball Teams Organizing

### 10 Managers At First Meeting

Ten team managers were present at the second organizational meeting of the Local 12 Softball Leagues. Present were Frank Furforo, representing Colonial Hardware and Sporting Inc., Ralph Henry, National Supply; Jerome Szyperski, Peerless Plastic; Cottie LaPoint, Plaskon; Dick Morris, Industrial Heat Treat; Bill Zolling, Toledo Scale; Ed Adamski, Schultz Die Casting; Jack Freeb, Local 12; Harvey Robideau, Spicer and Elmer Rygalski, Lakeside Biscuit.

Meetings are scheduled for Monday evenings in the Recreation Director's room on the second floor at Local 12 headquarters, 425 Winthrop St.

Any shop or local is invited to send a representative to the next meeting. Openings are available with plans to expand the league to accomodate all teams desiring to enter. For further information call MA 9126 for the Recreation Director.

**SUSPENDED GAMES:** When, because of state curfew laws, or because of time-limits set in order to make a train, it is necessary to call a game after it has become legal but before the full nine innings have been played, such game shall be considered a suspende dgame — and will be played off from the point of interruption at the next meeting of the same clubs in the same park. Games called because of failure of lighting system shall fall in the same category.

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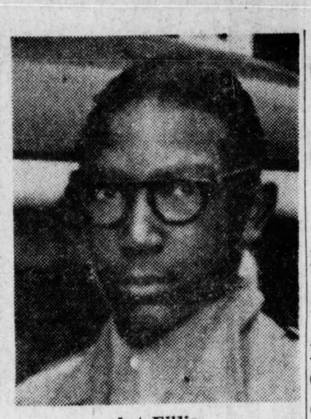
I Pittsburgh, play on Sunday must cease at 7:00 EXISTING TIME.

# 45 Rounds Of Boxing Set For ULC May 12

John Fillion



Art Fillis

Jerry Street

Roy Ulis

**These four well-known boxers will be on the 45 round card at the United Labor Committee show in the Sports Arena on Friday, May 12. Also on the program will be other top-notch fighters from Toledo and Area to assure the fans of a slam bang affair. Tickets are available in all shops and in the ULC office on the second floor at Local 12 Headquarters, 425 Winthrop St.**

## Golden Glove Champs Fight

A total of 14 bouts were arranged this week for next Friday night's all-star United Labor Committee boxing show in the Sports Arena. One other is expected to be set up the first of the week.

Highlighting the 45 rounds of action will be Jesse Brown, the national Golden Gloves light heavyweight champ, and Ples Gilmore, the national feather king.

The stiff-punching Brown has been matched with Harry Smoot, who is Golden Gloves champ in Detroit. Smoot is considered the finest light heavy in Michigan and will give the Toledo lad a real test.

Gilmore, who has been bothered by a sore elbow until recently, will meet Spurgeon Ballard, another Detroit GG champ. Both of these boys are fast and well schooled in ring warfare.

Other standouts on the card from Toledo include Carmen Williamson, Local 9 pride and 1950 Golden Gloves flyweight champ; Sid and Ray Ulis, Local 12 aces; Benny Perales, this year's best lightweight, and Sammie Harris, former all-city Libbey High School footballer.

Williamson will tangle with Leroy Jefferys, Detroit champion; Sid Ulis will meet Jackie Clever, also a Detroit champ; Ray Ulis will face Lou Garza, C.Y.O. champ from Detroit; Harris will battle Norman Webb from Detroit, and Perales is pitted against Neimon White from the Motor City.

Other bouts scheduled are Bill Tisdale, West Side A.C., Detroit vs. Larry Grimes, UAW-CIO Gym in Detroit; John Fillion, Local 12 middleweight vs. Ed Jenkins, Detroit Open champion; Sammy Stewart, Local 12, vs. Buddy Scott, Local 9; Lewis Thomas, Local 12, vs. Herb Mickels, Local 9.

Art Tillis, Local 12, vs. Harold Lyons, Detroit Novice king; Dick Corado, Local 9, vs. Willard White, Detroit, and Jerry Street, Local 12, vs. Reyford Mattison, UAW-CIO, Detroit.

Tickets for the fights are moving at a fast clip but choice seats are still available. They may be purchased at any Local 12 shop, and Local 12 and Local 9 headquarters.

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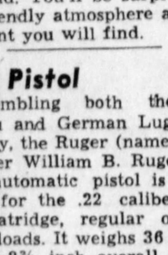

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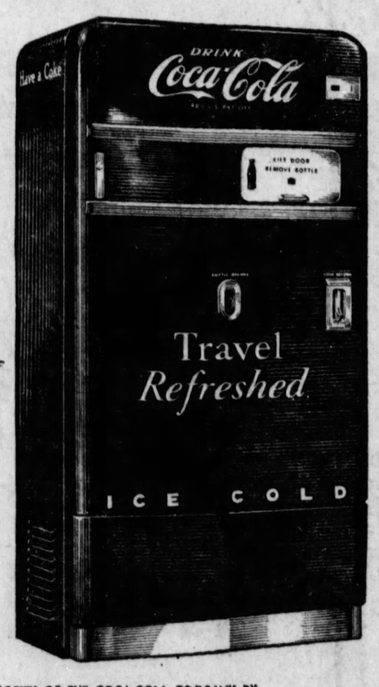


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